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Soongs Off For France

Foreigners Flee From Foochow As Reds Drive Down From The North

(By Our Harbour Reporter)

In the midst of hectic preparations for the defence of Fukien now threatened by Communist forces driving down from Kiangsi and Chekiang, foreigners and Chinese alike are fleeing on a mass from that Province to seek refuge in the Colony.

Reds Enter Hankow

Canton, May 16.
The Communists entered Hankow at 6.00 p.m. today, according to an official Nationalist radio broadcast from Hankow, heard here this evening.
The broadcast ceased shortly after making the announcement.
It is stated that the Communists began marching in at 5.00 p.m. and were welcomed by the people of Hankow.
The Communist troops were men of General Liu Po-chien's armies and appeared to be well-equipped.—Reuter.

Soong Off For France With Wife

The intelligence of the Nationalist Government's legislative Yuan in Canton is to be measured by their recent proposal that China's "Four Families" contribute U.S.\$1,000,000,000 to keep the civil war going.
This was the opinion, apparently, of Soong, who was interviewed by the Press yesterday at Kai Tak before his departure for France.
Asked whether he considered the proposal that Dr. H. H. Kung, Mr. Chang Kiang-nai, both former Ministers of Finance and himself, dip into their private coffers to the Nationalist Government, he replied: "It is a measure of their intelligence."
Dr. Soong said that he was going to Europe for medical treatment and would remain there until he got well. He will go first to France, then possibly to Switzerland. Later he may visit England. He said that at present he was not thinking of going to the United States.
Asked whether his trip to Europe was connected with the purchase of munitions, Dr. Soong repeated his statement that he was going to Europe for medical reasons.
Dr. Soong added that he was travelling on private funds and that he had no mission to accomplish for the Nationalist Government.
Dr. Soong was accompanied by his wife, and two friends, Mr. K. M. Tehou and Mr. Y. F. Woo.

Kung In NY

New York, May 15.
Dr. H. H. Kung, former premier of China, could not be reached for comment on a report that the Chinese Legislative Yuan had resolved to ask him as well as T. V. Soong and Chang Kiang-nai, to give the Nationalist Government U.S\$1,000,000,000 to fight the Chinese Communists.—United Press.

SEVEN KILLED IN CAR MISHAP

Calcutta, May 15.
Four Swedish sailors and three Indians were killed here last night when a motor car in which they were travelling fell 30 feet to the bed of a dry dock.
The sailors belonged to the crew of the Swedish steamer Mangalore, now in Calcutta port.—Reuter.

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Shanghai, May 16.
Communist armies further tightened their squeeze against China's greatest metropolis today but failed to break the stubborn Nationalist grip on the key points surrounding the city, including vital Woosung and all Shanghai's four airfields.

CGRA CUTS DOWN SERVICE

Shanghai, May 16.
The Chinese Government radio administration began evacuating transmitters from the edge of the town to downtown locations. During the movement they suspended radiophone and radiotelephone and reduced all commercial radio service but they hoped to restore them soon.—Associated Press.

Exodus From Canton To Colony On

Canton, May 16.
Hundreds of Chinese today began evacuating Canton, following the announcement that the Nationalists had withdrawn from Hankow. The evacuation is expected to increase greatly in volume in the next few days.
Many evacuees, especially the wealthy, are packing for already overcrowded Hong Kong. Trains and ships to Hong Kong today carried full passenger complements together with large quantities of household effects and general baggage. No extra services, however, have yet been provided.
Other evacuees are seeking safety in Macao where they think there is a better chance of securing accommodation.
Many Cantonese believe the Communists will reach the city within one month.
Well-informed sources think that the Government may now evacuate to the wartime capital of Chungking instead of to Taiwan, which earlier appeared to be the likeliest choice.
The Governors of Kwangsi, Kiangsi and Kwangtung, and a representative of the Governor of Hunan today met in an emergency conference under the chairmanship of Premier Ho Ying-chin. They discussed a united defence plan for Southern China. They also considered plans for requisitioning food and for introducing compulsory military service.
The conference will be continued today and tomorrow when it is expected the Governors of Kweichow, Szechuan, Yunnan, Taiwan and Hainan, as well as several military leaders, including General Chiang Chuan, Commander of West China, will be present.—Reuter.

The Weather

At 0000 GMT (3 p.m. HKST) the anti-cyclone now covers S and Central Japan and continues to move E. From a deep and extensive depression moving E across Northern Manchuria a trough, extending S through Central China, thence SE to a low pressure area over Indo-China and Siam. Pressure gradients over the China Sea remain slight.
Today's Forecast: Fresh, becoming moderate E winds, continuing unsettled, mainly overcast with intermittent light to moderate rain.
Yesterday's Weather: Maximum 78.0 deg. F. Minimum 68.0 deg. F. Rainfall 0.9 mm. (0.04 in.) Total since Jan. 1—816.2 mm. (32.13 in.) at an average of 61.9 mm. (2.44 in.)
Readings at 10 a.m. 4 p.m.
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According to official reports, the Communists today hurled heavy reinforcements into the fighting around Woosung at the mouth of the Shanghai harbour and sent two prongs against Hungjiao airfield in the South Western suburb but in each case were thrown back with heavy losses.

Late this evening, however, a new Communist threat to seal the last Nationalist escape route—out through Woosung into the open sea—was developing as Communist armies launched a major bid to reach the North coast of the Pootung peninsula, across the Whangpoo river from Shanghai.

An official communique admitted that Red units had reached Chwansha, only some 10 miles from their objective, the attainment of which would enable them to command the shipping channel leading from Woosung to the open sea.

Nationalist reinforcements are said to be streaming into the hurriedly established line some miles North of Chwansha for a determined effort to crush the new Red threat to block the sea escape route.

In Woosung Area

Fighting abated somewhat in the Woosung area this evening after incessant Red attacks for three successive days and nights, during which the Chinese air force and navy gave all-out support to the Nationalist ground forces.
A fresh and more intense Red effort, however, is expected shortly as Nationalist air reconnaissance reported that strong concentrations of Communist reinforcements were pushing on Shanghai from both the Shanghai-Nanking and the Shanghai-Hankow railways.

Meanwhile, preparations for street fighting are being speeded up inside the threatened city with sandbag redoubts and barbed wire barricades springing up in all parts of the metropolis.
Certain streets near the Western perimeter have been completely roped off for the construction of defence works. This one-way traffic of the Orient, the appearance of a doomed city today as shipping companies and airlines announced the suspension of their services to Shanghai.

10 Miles Away

By the latest estimates the Communists were only 10 or 12 miles from downtown Shanghai to the East. Heavy explosions were heard in that direction. They did not appear to be artillery fire but demolition.
The latest announcement of the Garrison Headquarters here claimed that the government positions were holding firm around Yungyang and Liuhang, the latter which only about 12 miles from the heart of Shanghai and five miles from Tazang airfield, the scene of bitter Sino-Japanese fighting in 1937, six miles from the North West city limits.
An official announcement "this morning" for the first time accused the Reds of using the so-called "human sea" tactics by throwing in civilians in front of charging troops. After causing the Nationalists to exhaust their ammunition against the civilians, the Red troops came to the front to charge government lines. These charges of "human sea" methods were made against the Communists for many times in the past fighting in North China.

Evacuation?

There were many troop movements through the streets of Shanghai today, some headed from North station toward the waterfront where a surprisingly large number of small steamers seemed suddenly to have gathered. Many were boarding small ships on Hong Kong.

of the troops looked in good shape and fully armed.

A United Press correspondent, who visited the Western front today, found that Colonel Chiang Wei-kuo, youngest son of the retired President Chiang Kai-shek, and deputy commander of the Nationalist armour troops, was taking a personal hand in an attempted counter-attack which had failed because of poor co-operation.

The young Chiang, who flew in from Formosa to take a first-hand look at the Shanghai situation, narrowly escaped injury, when Communist machine gunners located his command post and rained shots on it.

Foreign Airlines

It was learned today that all foreign airlines will discontinue their regular calls here from tomorrow although the BOAC said that their aircraft would be available for charter flights.
However, China's domestic airlines, the CNAC, and CACT, asserted that they would continue to operate as long as possible. A Pan-American Airways spokesman said this morning that their last flight out of Shanghai was made at 8.00 o'clock (local time) today, heading for Hong Kong.
He explained that instructions had been received from the Pan-American Airways head office to suspend operations temporarily, pending an improvement in the prevailing situation.
The North West Airlines, the only other American flag airline operating here, gave out a similar notice, saying that all regular flights out of the city will be suspended from Tuesday.

Shipping Services

A similar suspension of services has been decided by foreign shipping concerns, which indicated that vessels due to arrive here in the course of the next week have been diverted.
The last foreign ship, the oil tanker Blue Licks, carrying fuel for the Texaco Company, slipped out of the harbour yesterday for Bahrain. According to a survey, there are no foreign vessels in the Shanghai harbour. This diversion of shipping has caused some 400 Portuguese to be stranded here.
They were booked to sail on the Dutch liner Tilbadak on May 18 or 19 for Macao via Hong Kong but with the cancellation of the Shanghai visit, they now have no alternative but to stick it out. For many this unfortunate hitch will be severe, as they had resigned from their jobs and sold their apartments in the hope of starting life anew in some other parts of the world.
For the time being, the Portuguese Residents' Association has promised to take care of them. (Continued on Page 11)



Seen waving a farewell to friends seeing him off yesterday for Europe on a Pan American plane, is Dr. T. V. Soong, China's former Premier and an erstwhile Hong Kong resident. Mrs. Soong is entering the plane behind him.—"China Mail" Photo.

REDS ONLY TWO MILES FROM LUNGHWA

Communist forces apparently halted on the North Western outskirts of Shanghai, yesterday swung around to assault the Southern and Eastern approaches to the city.
According to British evacuees arriving at Kai Tak late yesterday afternoon, the Communists were only a few miles from Lungghwa airfield where machine-gun fire could be heard.

At 6 p.m. yesterday evening, a message received by the CNAC office here said that the troops were only two miles away from Lungghwa. It was expected that the field would either fall to the Reds during the night or become unsafe for aerial traffic.
It was reported that a CNAC plane had been fired on yesterday afternoon. No confirmation of this was available, but bombing and shelling could be heard in the city yesterday morning before they left for the airfield. Some said that out at Lungghwa they could see planes dropping bombs in the distance.
That at the last minute the airport officials at Lungghwa had held up their plane, insisting on a baggage inspection. (The three RAF planes evidently were permitted to depart without this formality.)
"They didn't find anything, so that was alright," related the passenger. "But then they said we couldn't go because we didn't have exit visas. But finally they accepted our Resident's Certificates instead."
The RAF pilots and crew members who went up to Shanghai yesterday had a most strenuous day, however. The first RAF plane for Shanghai took off from Kai Tak at 3 a.m. yesterday morning. After a five-hour flight and a short pause to collect their passengers, the three planes took off again and flew back to Hong Kong through fog and rain to Kai Tak.

MacDonald's Views On Reds

Singapore, May 16.
Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Britain's Commissioner-General in South East Asia said yesterday if the Communist rulers in China are not ready to be friendly members of the family of nations then "in the East as in the West the Democratic governments must co-operate staunchly to protect their citizens' freedom."—Associated Press.

Red Advance Cuts Down ECA Work

Washington, May 16.
President Truman said today that Communist advances in China have had a disastrous effect on the economic and political position of Nationalist China and had thereby limited the activities there of the Economic Co-operation Administration.
At the same time he forecast a 30 per cent slash in the critical dollar shortage of Europe's Marshall Plan countries by the middle of this year.
He coupled with his report of satisfactory progress a warning that these nations must achieve extensive economic expansion and reform if they are to become independent of American aid by the end of 1952 when Marshall Plan dollars are due to give out.
His summary was in a report to Congress on the work of the Economic Co-operation Administration during the last quarter of 1948.—Associated Press.

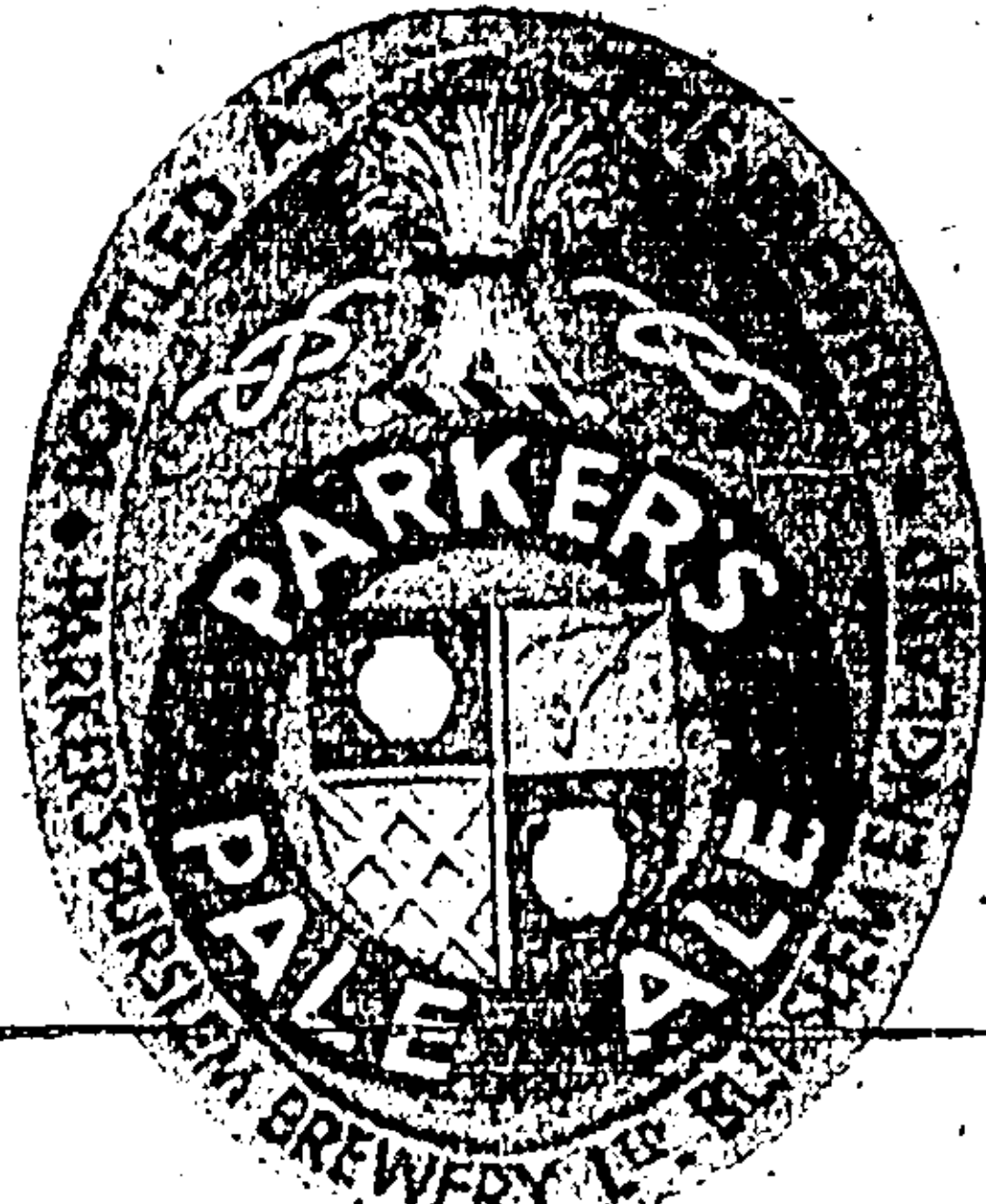
There are two fathers remaining behind to look after the valuables at Kienow," they said. In the event of Red occupation they would seek refuge here. "We have not abandoned our work in China yet," declared a priest who had been working there for the past three years. They left Kienow on their own in the face of the looming threat.
To accommodate the missionary arrival, a special deck chairs were provided in No. 3 Hold of the Heinrich Jessen. There, the nun priests and novices huddled together with their luggage. They were 70 foreign and Chinese missionaries in that class.
Ten Europeans travelled first class, while 21 Chinese were in the second-class.
In the steerage deck 770 men, women and children "made themselves comfortable" in makeshift crude cabins with their belongings.
"Foochow did not show any other sign of being threatened, except the stampede of refugees into our ship," an officer of the ship said.
Besides the paying passengers there were several tens of non-ticket travellers.
"Nothing could be done about them when they showed up except. We just had to carry them as the checking was done," he declared.
"Originally we thought we were only taking down about 200 or 300 passengers from Foochow. But the passengers just streamed into the vessel day and night," the Heinrich Jessen can accommodate 1,000 persons, but I'm not mistaken, this is the first time that so many passengers have travelled on her," the officer stated.

Extradition Of Gerhart Eisler

Southampton, May 16.
A Southampton magistrate's court today committed fugitive Communist Gerhart Eisler to London court which will hear a demand that Eisler be returned to the United States.
Eisler will go before the Bow Street magistrate's court in London tomorrow.
Eisler, who had to be dragged struggling off the Polish Line Batory on which he stowed away to flee the United States, is quietly in the dock during today's brief court proceedings.—Associated Press.

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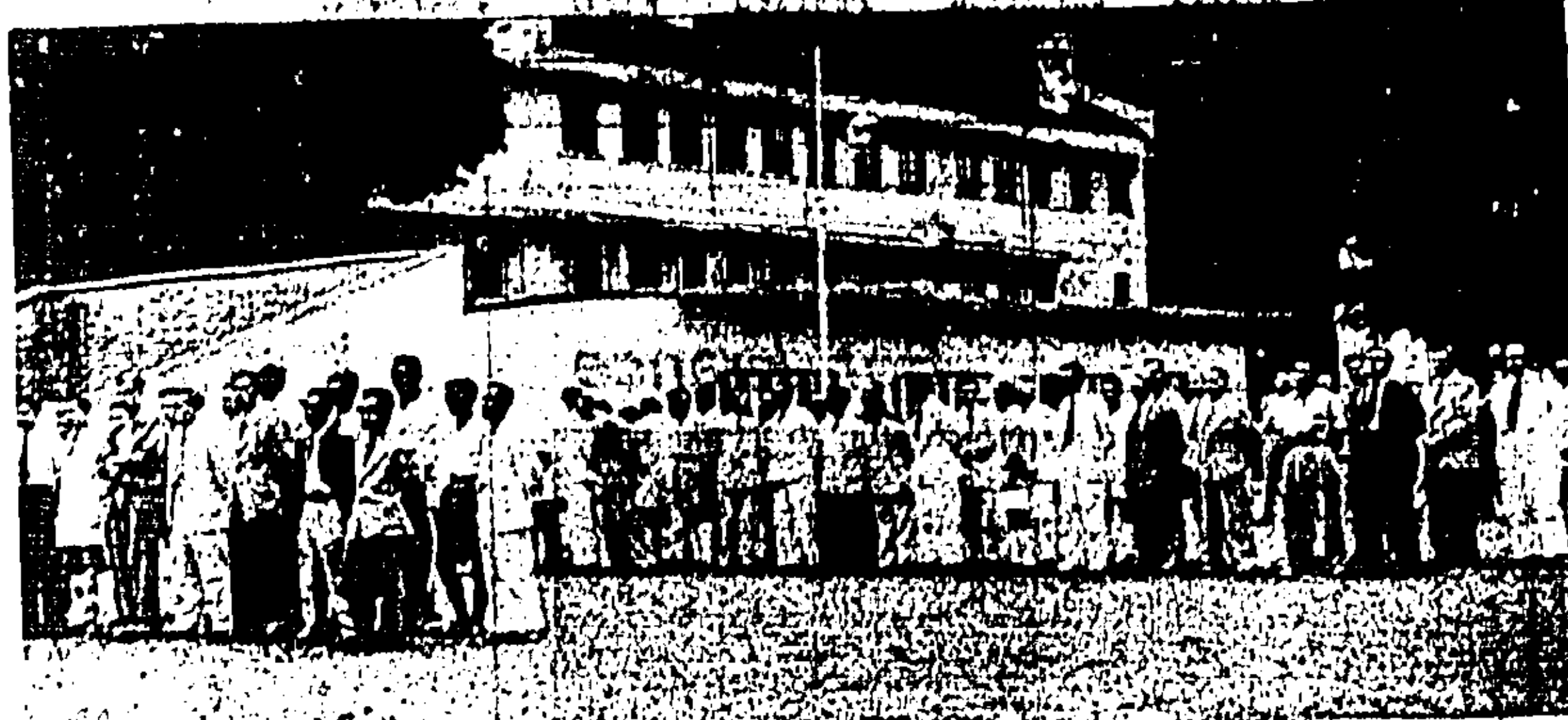
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HKDF's First Drill



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RELIEF CAMP INMATES GREATLY WORRIED

A three-week notice to quit, issued to the inmates of the Ma Tau Chung Relief Camp, Kowloon City, has caused a great deal of worry to the people quartered there, the "China Mail" learned during a survey of the camp yesterday.

The whole area of the camp is divided into three separate blocks and the people in them are housed in different ways. The separations are Camp No. 2, Eastern Camp and the Ma Tau Chung Housing Estate. Camp No. 2, which is entered from Ma Tau Wei Road, houses about 100 destitutes who are completely dependent upon Government subsidies.

Not So Fortunate

Those in the Eastern Camp, adjacent to Camp No. 2, however, are not so fortunate. The notice to them does not offer any other place to live. They will be required to find their own accommodation.

People in this camp were originally in Camp No. 2 but have since found work and are earning a regular salary or wage. "Although Government has told us that they would take the place back whenever they needed it, this eviction has come as rather a shock to us," one of the residents told the "China Mail."

"It is not that we wish to hold on to our places here indefinitely, but just that we are absolutely unable to find quarters anywhere, the reason is quite obvious," he said, "and three weeks' notice hardly gives us sufficient time to look around."

The people in this section of the camp said they do not pay any rent for the use of the huts. They have, however, gone to much expense installing electric lighting, water, meters and have affected a considerable number of repairs and put in sanitary necessities.

A Bank Clerk

One of the most seriously affected of the inmates of this section of the camp is a 19-year-old bank clerk who is the only son of his aged parents besides a young brother and a sister.

"I don't know what I am going to do. Paying my money is out of the question. We simply can't afford it," he said.

Asked if he has made any attempt at finding a place, he replied that he will be applying to the authorities running No. 2 Camp to see "if we can't go along with them to North Point or any place where we can have a roof over our heads."

People in the third section of the camp, the Ma Tau Chung Housing Estate, have not yet received any notice to leave yet. Interviewed by the "China Mail," one resident said that she "hopes that the authorities won't touch us."

The Housing Estate is under the supervision of the Social Welfare Council to whom the residents pay a monthly rent of \$20. They, like the people of the Eastern Camp, have spent much of their earnings in buying and installing necessary living facilities.

It is believed that the relief area at Ma Tau Chung is required for billets for the forthcoming reinforcements of the Hong Kong Garrison.

Shanghai Trip Cancelled

Originally meant to evacuate Portuguese nationals from Shanghai, the ss. Wah Chung cancelled her Shanghai trip, while returning to the Colony from Chefoo, on orders from Shanghai.

The first cable order for her to evacuate the Portuguese nationals was dispatched to her while she was in the Communist port. As the Communists had sealed her wireless sets, the order was not received by her master.

Then, on May 12, two days after she left Chefoo, another cable for the same purpose was received by the ship. Orders for her to cancel calling at Shanghai were received by the ship's master when the ss. Wah Chung was just about to reach Shanghai waters.

The ss. Wah Chung arrived here from Chefoo yesterday.

Miss Elizabeth A. Scholdegger was among the passengers from Kobe yesterday by the ss. Changte.

Mrs. R. Charles Gardner arrived here yesterday from Kobe by the ss. Changte.

Groups Formed At HKDF Drill

The Hong Kong Defence Force held its first drill since its inauguration at the Force Depot yesterday.

The international turn-out of 60 attested personnel was formed into three groups, for training purposes, irrespective of the unit they had enlisted for.

To group one belong those without any previous military training. Group two consists of men who have had some training but without any actual war experience, while group three is composed of personnel who have seen war service before.

Each of these groups is subdivided into squads of 12 each, and will receive preliminary instructions from men of the regular army.

After their assignment into the various groups, the men were issued uniforms and will start their actual training next week.

The latest Defence Force Orders show that 30 more applicants are ready for attestation during this week and they will be assigned to the various groups in a similar manner.

Personalia

Captain G. J. Leardie, Mr. K. S. Apene, Mr. J. D. Davis and Mr. Go Tiao Ho arrived from Singapore yesterday by the ss. Aeneas.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Williams arrived in the Colony yesterday from the United Kingdom by the ss. Aeneas.

Week-end departures from the Peninsula Hotel included Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Rosch, Mr. and Mrs. K. Schneider, Mr. Kwao Guishee, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. MacDermid, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Stepanek, Mr. E. H. Moyle, Messrs. W. Chen, B. S. T. Roy, N. Zhabanani, C. H. Lee, W. M. Sulke, C. Blakeman, A. B. Waller, J. Pierce, V. Shalom, M. J. Galika, W. Richardson, H. Merrifield, A. Morand, J. E. Burkett, F. S. Harris, and Lee Long.

Among the arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel during the week-end were Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Corby, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Giraud, Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Foo, Mrs. A. M. Lee, Messrs. G. Rebagliati, E. J. Wallis, K. M. Yin, J. Kruzman, L. Williams, A. W. Beldman, R. F. Sanders, C. M. Bishop, D. G. Ponte, E. T. Bush, S. N. Elsenberg, and C. D. Caffery.

Departures for Bangkok and Singapore yesterday by CPA included Messrs. G. M. Stewart, P. Stewart, G. Rebagliati, R. C. K. Huggill, and Hong Fan-chung.

Arrivals from Canton by the ss. Fatshan yesterday included Mr. M. O. Liddell, Mr. L. M. Liddell, Mrs. Doris Richardson, Mrs. E. M. Ricci-Pereira, Mr. J. Hughes, Mrs. Kathleen Hawthorn, Mr. J. G. Cruickshank, Mrs. Aldar A. Schneider, Mr. Lawrence H. Norton, Mr. Walter B. Martin, Mr. Charles E. Ashley, Dr. Andre Migon, Miss Marjorie Daland, Miss Margaret Mortensen, Miss Alpha E. Rokke, Miss Sara Roe, Mr. Herjol K. L. Anderson, Mrs. Anderson, Mr. Lof N. Salomonson, Mrs. Mary K. Salomonson and Mr. Edwin W. Raetz.

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HK's Reinforcements

Sir—During the coming few months the Defence Forces of Hong Kong are expected to be reinforced by between six and eight thousand officers and men of the Royal Navy, the Army and the RAF. No doubt our Quartering Authorities will from now onward be working overtime to provide suitable accommodation for these reinforcements, most of whom, presumably, will be stationed on the mainland. And it may be presumed that requisitioning powers will be wide enough for this purpose.

There are, however, limits to the activities of the quartering and other Service authorities in the matter of providing amenities, recreation, and amusement for this large body of overseas reinforcements.

I am sure that the community, as in the past, will prove anxious to do what it can to make the stay of present and new armed forces as pleasant as possible. The disparity between the emoluments of the average foreigner (including Britons) in this Colony, and those of the Officers and men, but can to a large extent be mitigated, by community and Government action. It must be remembered that in addition to low pay (related to ordinary Hong Kong living standards) and liability to Home Income Tax on reinforcements, even if, in some cases, they will leave families at home for whose continued maintenance they will be responsible, making further demands upon their meagre pay.

It seems to me, therefore, that every possible effort should be made locally to bridge the financial handicap, even if, in some instances, it involves personal sacrifices, loss of earnings of public companies, and some individual inconvenience. It must never be said of Hong Kong that it has not gone "all out" to welcome—and make their stay of it as pleasant as possible.

Preliminary steps to organize the community for this purpose should be taken without delay, preferably in consultation with the Naval, Military and RAF authorities. I propose only to make a few tentative suggestions, with no assumption that they are the best or even, in every instance, practicable.

In the first place, I suggest that the Government, without delay, should restore to all members of the Armed Forces the former duty-free privileges for liquors and tobacco. I believe that this privilege, in bygone days, but it is surely wrong that the many should suffer for the few, and it should not be impossible to devise restrictions which would prevent Canton, or NAAFI supplies appearing on the local Black Market. The average British-Private does not have more than \$15 a week to spend, and that does not go very far at the present cost of refreshments, entertainment and transport in Hong Kong.

I suggest, also, though this is a minor problem, that the Government should restore to the purposes for which it was built by public funds, the former premises of the "Cheong Cheong Club" for using these buildings for an entirely different purpose, without even compensating the Trustees. Numerous similar institutions will have to be provided on the island and the mainland, and I do not doubt that what civilian co-operation is necessary will be forthcoming.

As to community action, I make bold to suggest that efforts should be made by the leading hotels and restaurants to supply Officers and Men in uniform with palatable meals at somewhat lower prices than those charged to the general public, and that the Government should co-operate by exempting them from taxation; and that in view of the fact that most of the reinforcements will be stationed in the New Territories and Kowloon, special concessions should be made in the matter of transport; e.g. free passes on the ferries, and half fares on buses and trams.

I should like to see libraries and/or reading rooms established at convenient centres, or at least, public libraries, for supplying the troops, etc. with books and periodicals.

If my memory serves me right, when British reinforcements were sent to Shanghai in 1927, the leading British Clubs (the Shanghai Club, the Hong Kong Club, the Peninsula Club) extended help and membership to all Commissioned Officers. This would, probably, be impossible owing to the large numbers of reinforcements, but it might be practicable to allow a quota of Officers, recommended by their C.O., in some of the large institutions.

The leading cinemas make concessions to men in uniform in some instances charging half price, and in others \$2.00 for a \$3.00 seat. Would it not be reasonable to suggest that the half-price system be generally applied?

Finally, I suggest that the weather residents of Chinese villages should be encouraged to interest in furnishing amenities for the Defence Forces. With few

exceptions they have not responded very liberally to the British Naval Aid Fund, perhaps because they felt that the Yangtze Tragedy was not their immediate concern. But, the protection of Hong Kong by British forces should be regarded by them as a vital matter, and they might reasonably be expected to show their appreciation in a tangible manner. Won't some of them take the initiative in forming a committee for this purpose?

H. G. W. WOODHEAD.

Decline And Fall

Sir—Whereas history does not always repeat itself, the history of the collapse of modern dictatorship appears to be of little discrepancy between one and the other. In this respect the documentary study of "The Last Days of Hitler" by H. R. Trevor-Roper is particularly interesting to us who watch in this part of the world the fall and decline of Chiang Kai-shek's dictatorship. While Germany was invaded from the East and West, Hitler and his court in the bunker still entertained the illusion that the open conflict between the Russians and Anglo-Americans was a mere tactical manoeuvre, and that he was God-sent and carrying a holy mission until everything was black. Then his disillusion led him to hatred for everybody else. He condemned the Army which he trained in his Mein Kampf for treachery. He accused Hermann Goerring, Heinrich Himmler, Joseph von Ribbentrop and many others, his most reliable confederates in the enterprise of torturing and torturing his people and the world, for the Kaiser's Memoirs in the Doorn he accused anyone and everyone except himself for the disasters.

At last Hitler determined that as the Germans were not worthy of a self-styled messianic resurrection, they should be destroyed totally before he, the Leader, killed himself in the bunker. Until he committed suicide, he was with Eva Braun his faithful companion, his favourite, his playmate, his subordinate, his confidant, his ruling the possibility for the capable and upright factions to do even a small part in preserving a little portion of the German vitality, already maimed by the Führer's evil schemes and diabolic rule.

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LIU MOON.

An Appreciation

Sir—The retirement this month of Dr. G. H. Thomas, after 37 years of service with the Medical Department, has deprived the Government of an efficient and hard-working servant and the public a sympathetic and ever helpful medical officer.

Dr. Thomas is best remembered by the general public for his many years of conscientious work at the now-defunct Government Civil Hospital, and subsequently of his able management of the Tung Wah Hospital. He endeavored himself by the hearts and minds of all men, women and children, by his services and his families included, not only because of his skill in the art of medical treatment but also for his more especially by his kind and fatherly reception of all who sought his aid. His social stations might be said to be: a doctor, a friend, a father, a brother.

Non-English speaking people, used to the kind of service as offered by Hong Kong's hospitals, will surely have a great appreciation of his service. His office, except when compelled by a matter of great urgency, was never more than a few steps away from the entrance of the hospital, and he was always ready to receive his patients and his families included, not only because of his skill in the art of medical treatment but also for his more especially by his kind and fatherly reception of all who sought his aid. His social stations might be said to be: a doctor, a friend, a father, a brother.

His service to the community was a pure and a purely private effort and a purely private affair.

This one man was the popular man, Yen Sang, of whose countless charitable deeds people say, when, including in reminiscence, that the doctor once pressed into the palm of a poor, lung-trembling child, just discharged from hospital a small monetary gift to enable her to take a rickshaw home, because she was considered to be too weak to make the journey on foot. It is little wonder, therefore, that the doctor's name was on every lip throughout the length and breadth of Sanyingpoo and beyond, and, even to this very day, still cherished by all sections of the public after the lapse of many years when he was assigned administrative post of great responsibility, whereby his direct contact with the general public was severed.

It was only a few years ago that I, a patient of his, met him at a meeting of the Chinese doctor. There, I was so captivated by his striking personality that I have since held him in my highest esteem both as a public servant and as a personal friend. And for the invaluable professional assistance and sympathy received on numerous occasions by myself as well as my family, I wish to express here, publicly, my heart-felt gratitude to this retiring medical officer, and pray that he may have the best of luck in his retirement.

K. S. LEUNG.

An Apology

Sir—I wish to extend the apologies of Yung Hwa Motion Picture Industries Ltd. to "Irate Film Fan" for the fact that there were no English subtitles for the film, "Virtue in the Dust," at the Liberty Theatre at 6.15 p.m. on Friday. While realising that much inconvenience was caused by their absence, I would like to stress the fact that subtitles had been prepared for both the Liberty and Central Theatres, when the film is still showing, but that an unfortunate accident on the morning of the 13th (and it had to be Friday and opening day) robbed us of half the completed titles.

As a result, now titles had to be prepared with all possible speed. This is a long, laborious process—and, for the first day, non-Mandarin-speaking audiences were, without the necessary medium to understand the action of the film. But the titles were ready for Saturday performances and, as far as I know, were used by the two theatres.

It was unfortunate that "Irate Film Fan" chose Friday the 13th to see "Virtue in the Dust." We extend our apologies to him and to any other cinema-goers who were inconvenienced by Friday's accident.

It is heartening to see a non-Chinese taking an interest in Chinese films and in supporting local industries and we welcome this criticism.

RALPH SHAW.

Fair Play? A Quiz

Sir—A Government employee gets caught accepting bribes in the course of his duty:

1. If he should be Chinese—
a) He would be prosecuted, fined and imprisoned.
b) He would get a promotion.
c) He would see local justice in action.
2. If he should be British—
a) He would be ruthlessly dismissed from service.
b) He would sue the Government.
c) He would be let off scot free.

If a Chinese owns a noodle shop, and advertises it so in his car, he will be prosecuted, because:

- a) The car is a private vehicle.
- b) It defaces the car.
- c) This is local law.
- d) A British owner of a business advertises on his car, he will not be molested, because:
a) The cars are private.
b) He would be beautifully doing his duty.

A correct answer rates a pat on the back. Any wrong answer deserves a swift kick where it hurts most.

Perhaps Mr. "K" would like to answer the quiz, Sir Editor, for the use of your columns.

QUIZMASTER.

May Criminal Sessions

One case of shooting with intent to murder is included in the May Criminal Sessions, which will begin tomorrow, when pleas will be taken in the following cases—

1. The Ming alias Tse Fong alias Tse Ming—breach of deportation order.
2. Lau Tak, alias Lau Kai Wah, alias Tse Tak, alias Tse Ming, alias Lau Fat, alias Lau Tat—breach of deportation order.
3. Ho Kwan-chung (1)—two counts of shooting with intent to murder.
4. Wong Yau-tai—possession of arms and ammunition.
5. The Kwai-chung—possession of arms and ammunition.
6. Cheung Yee-yeung—possession of arms and ammunition.
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Friday, the 20th day of May, 1949, at Noon for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following Resolution as a Special Resolution:—

"That the following shall be substituted for Clause 95 in the Articles of Association of the Company:—

"Each Director of the Company shall be paid out of the funds of the Company remuneration for his services at the rate of \$2,500.00 per annum and such further sums as the Company in General Meeting may from time to time determine."

By Order of the Board of Directors.

G. B. S. THOMSON, Secretary.

Hong Kong, April 26, 1949.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Board Room of the Company, Room No. 308, Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on Thursday, the 19th May, 1949, at noon for the following purposes:—

1. To receive and consider the Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet and the Report of the Directors and Auditors thereon.
2. To declare a dividend.
3. To elect Directors.
4. To appoint Auditors and fix their remuneration.
5. To transact any other ordinary business of the Company.

NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN that the TRANSFER BOOKS OF THE COMPANY will be closed from the 10th May, 1949 to the 19th May, 1949, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

R. G. CRAIG, Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, April 29, 1949.

Service Auction Rooms

A. K. B. de Souza, Auctioneer, Auctioneers, Surveyors, etc. Basement, French Bank Bldg., Telephone 21867.

By Order of the Stewards, D. L. PROPHET, Actg. Secretary.

Hong Kong, May 14, 1949.

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SPECIAL CASH SWEEP

ON THE

LANTAO HANDICAP 1949

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

The sale of Tickets on the above will CLOSE at 5 p.m. on FRIDAY, 20th May, 1949.

The DRAW will be held at the Public Parl-Mutuel Hall, the Race Course, at 11 a.m. on Saturday, 21st May.

According to the conditions of the Sweep 40% of the pool, after deduction of Government Tax and Commission, is to be divided amongst drawers of unplaced qualified ponies whether entered or not.

For the purpose of the draw, the Stewards have ruled that "qualified ponies whether entered or not" shall include all 1949 Subscription Ponies at 1st February, 1949.

By Order, D. L. PROPHET, Actg. Secretary.

Hong Kong, May 14, 1949.

NOTICE CHINA EMPORIUM, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Dividend of 80 cents and bonus of 20 cents amounting to \$1.00 per share free of tax as decided upon by the Shareholders' Annual Meeting is payable on the Company's share for the year ending 31st December, 1948. Shareholders are requested to collect Dividends at our Registered Office, 2nd Floor, China Emporium Building, Queen's Road, Central, on and after the 18th May, 1949. (Monday) daily from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. Sundays & Public holidays excepted.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

CHINA EMPORIUM, LTD.

Hong Kong, May 15, 1949.

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Application has been made to the Board of Directors for the issue of duplicate certificates and, if within thirty days from the date hereof no claim or representation in respect of such original certificates is made to the Board of Directors, they will then proceed to deal with such application.

By order of the Board of Directors,

J. N. WONG, Secretary.

Hong Kong, May 17, 1949.

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ALL MEMBERS are cordially invited to attend and participate in any discussion which may ensue.

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Chinese Gets King's Medal

Macao, May 16.

The King's Medal for Courage was awarded to Mr. Y. C. Leong here yesterday, at an informal ceremony at "Sky-line", private residence of Mr. Frederick J. Geillon, British Vice-Consul.

The Decoration and a Certificate were brought here by Mr. Terrell, British Consul at Canton, who arrived by plane to preside over the ceremony. The Rt. Rev. Halward, Bishop of Hong Kong, was present.

Mr. Y. C. Leong is a well-known member of the Chinese community here.

He was on the staff of the British Army Aid Group, in charge of the Macao Office. He helped to rescue two American aviators from the sea and sent them to Free China.

Mr. Leong also helped Mr. Leo d'Abranda e Castro and Mr. Marcus Silva and many other British subjects to escape, during the war—Our Own Correspondent.

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CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"Resolution seven needs reword

U.S. Drafting Programme To Aid Backward Areas

Veterans Endorse New Treaty

Washington, May 15. The spokesmen for three veterans' organizations said today that ratification of the Atlantic Pact was one step toward assuring their members would not have to fight again.

At the same time it was learned that the State Department was ready to tell Congress in writing that there would be no binding commitments for the use of American troops in Europe under the 12-nation defence

The spokesman for the American Veterans Committee, the American Veterans of World War II and Jewish War Veterans told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee the pact would bolster free nations against the threat of Communist aggression.

The American veterans in addition asked for an accompanying treaty for the Pacific region.

The Senate foreign policy spokesman, meanwhile, assured members of Congress of an entirely free hand in voting on the Atlantic Pact, despite their votes last year on the resolution encouraging its formation.

In answer to questions from Senator Forrest Donnell, who has expressed grave doubts about the treaty, the committee chairman, Senator Tom Connally, and Senator Arthur Vandenberg said the Senators were entirely free to vote their convictions, regardless of any past actions.—United Press.

ITALIAN PREMIER'S WARNING

Rome, May 15. The Italian Prime Minister, Signor Alcide de Gasperi, said today that neo-Fascism was trying to take advantage of the Italian colonial problem in order to create trouble.

"But there is a law against praising Fascist achievements and we will apply it," he added.

He warned Italians of "real danger" both from Communism and Fascism.—Reuter.

NEW AMBASSADOR FOR MANILA

Washington, May 15. Mr. Myron Cowen, new United States Ambassador to the Philippines, left Washington by plane today to take up his post in Manila.

His family will join him in Manila later.

Mr. Cowen, former Ambassador to Australia, succeeds Mr. Emmet O'Neal, former Kentucky Congressman.—Reuter.

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Commencing Tomorrow: "THE 39 STEPS"

Washington, May 16.

The United States government is drafting a \$125,000,000 programme to develop the world's backward areas, officials said.

The United States would contribute about half of this estimated sum if Congress approves. The rest is expected to come from wealthier members of the United Nations and countries that would be helped.

Specific projects, it is said, are being drafted by the American government in response to President Harry S. Truman's inauguration day call for a brand new programme of general improvements in under-developed regions to combat human misery and aid world prosperity.

Under a tentative plan of action, the biggest share of funds would go to develop Latin American areas. Two other regions of the world—Africa and the Near East—would get almost as much, followed by Europe and its dependencies.

Most of this money, officials said, would be allocated for specific health programmes in an effort to stamp out disease such as malaria, which has retarded development of many natural resources in the past.

Projects designed to improve agriculture and forestry would rank next in importance. The third biggest task would be to try to improve educational standards.

Reclamation, flood controls, hydro electric power, fisheries, exploitation of minerals resources, transportation and industry.

They said the administration hopes that by laying out these long-range programmes it can influence private American capital to invest its money in these areas and eventually raise the standards of living in co-operation with the local governments.

If the plan goes through Congress, officials say, the administration plans to present the programme to the United Nations in order to weld the work into one giant, co-ordinated programme.

It would reserve the right to channel some of the projects into non-members of the United Nations such as Italy. The State Department plans to conclude two-way agreements with the home governments in such cases.

The present plan is for the United States and such countries as Canada, Britain and France to contribute about \$75,000,000. The nations to be assisted would be expected to contribute about \$50,000,000 more in their own currencies on a project to project basis.—Associated Press.

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Projects designed to improve agriculture and forestry would rank next in importance. The third biggest task would be to try to improve educational standards.

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Portugal And Prostitution

Lisbon, May 15.

Portugal's 6,000 prostitutes may be out of work if the government succeeds in abolishing the trade, although they come up against difficulties. At present a bill to deal with venereal disease is under discussion.

Representative Bustoifilva stated that the government wishes by degrees to abolish prostitution but at present sees no way to rehabilitate the women at present engaged in the oldest profession.

The bill states that no more prostitutes can be registered, and no more "houses of tolerance" will be licensed by the municipal authorities.

By this means it is hoped to eliminate prostitution "some day."—United Press.

Wants ECA Aid For Israel

London, May 15.

Richard Crossman, Labour Member of Parliament, told the first anniversary mass rally celebrating Israel's independence here today that if no constructive alternative were provided for the Arabs, Communism would sweep the Middle East as it swept China this year.

About 1,500 Jews had gathered in the Winter Garden Theatre, Drury Lane, in the heart of London, to join in the festivities.

"You cannot leave the Middle East alone. If the Arabs are left alone, the job cannot be done. They have got to be helped," Mr. Crossman said.

Britain, he said, could not survive as a Middle East country without the co-operation and friendship of Israel.

Earlier, bearded Dr. Mordechai Elish, the new Israeli Minister in London, standing on the stage before two huge portraits of President Chaim Weizman and Dr. Theodor Herzl, Father of the World Zionist Movement, brought fraternal greetings from the Jewish people of Israel.

"In Israel, the celebrations have ended," he said, "and have given place to the hard day-by-day tasks of absorbing immigrants, of building houses, of manning the fence positions and maintaining armistice lines, and of marshalling all constructive forces in the struggle for economic readjustment and financial rehabilitation."

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"NY Times," Views On Occupation Policy

New York, May 15.

The Times editorial discussing United States policy toward Japan and Germany remarked today: "In the case of Germany we have now made it plain we will work for the re-establishment of a solvent, productive, viable German state in all Germany if possible, in Western Germany if that is the alternative."

"In the case of Japan we have declared we propose the rehabilitation of Japanese production without a fixed limit so long as that production remains strictly non-military."

"In both cases we have abandoned what has been called punitive attitude and are supporting a programme designed to get our former enemies back on their peaceful feet as quickly as possible."

The editorial pointed out in neither case the United States is acting in complete accord with all its former allies.

It said: "It should be understood, however, that just as three-power action in Germany was made necessary by the intransigence of the Soviet Union, so unilateral action in respect of Japan was made necessary by total failure of the Far Eastern Commission to agree on any schedule of reparations."

Reparations

Discussing the strain of reparations payments on the taxpayer, the Times said: "It is not merely a question of relieving the taxpayer for the sake of lower taxes. It is rather a question of the use to which paid taxes are to be put."

"Taxpayers, not only American but also British and French and others, can hardly be expected to go on indefinitely paying for the upkeep of economic and moral stunts in Europe and East Asia."

The Times added: "It is quite natural that some Far Eastern countries, the Philippines for example, should feel disappointed and disappointed by the policy we made. They suffered gravely from Japanese aggression and occupation, and it seems natural and right that defeated Japan should make a substantial contribution to their rebuilding."

The paper said protests against the Japanese policy should be received with utmost patience and sympathy just as we had patience and sympathy in dealing with natural French fears of a revitalised Germany. In the latter case, we have been able to overcome some of the French feeling through making plain our own intent to aid France against any threat of aggression, German or other.

The editorial continued: "In the Far East we may be able to overcome some of the disappointment... by making plain our own long-range objectives.—U.P."

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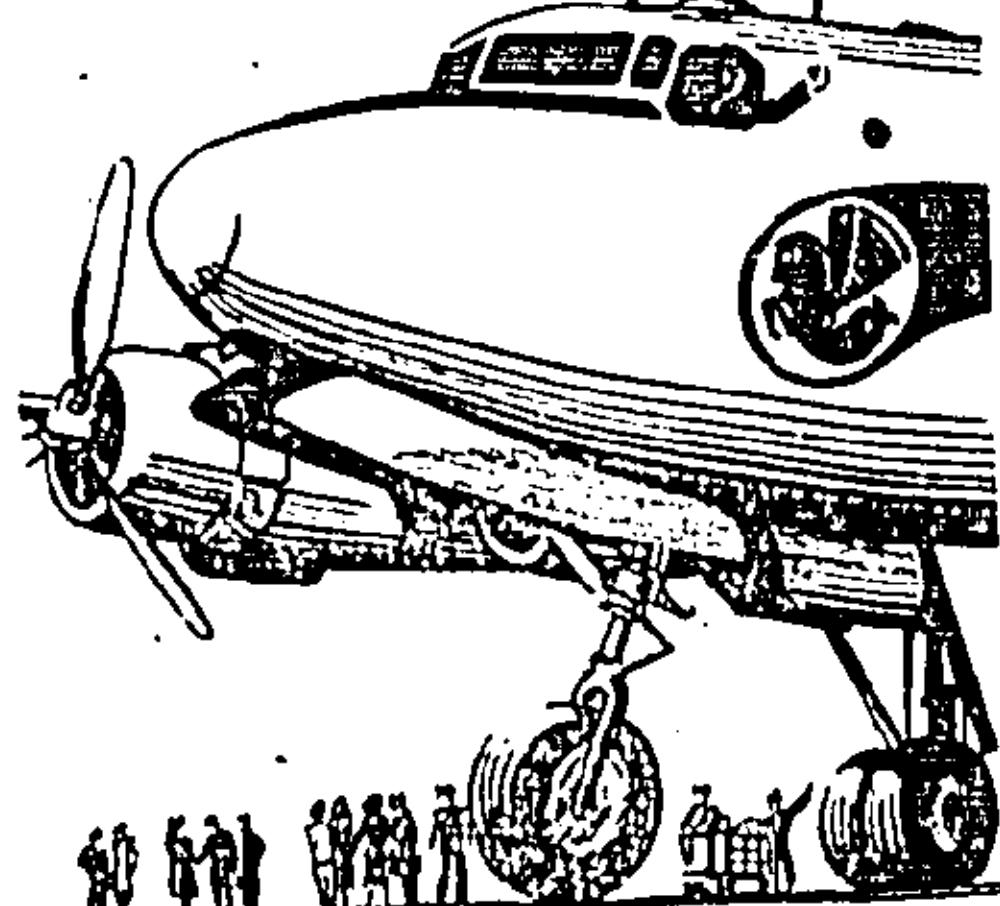
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CITY OF RUMOURS

No doubt Hong Kong has always been an ideal clearing-house for rumours, particularly since 1945, regarding trade, currency, collaborators, gold, opium, smuggling, etc., and the whispers are now being given added impetus by the seige of Shanghai and the Southward march of the Red armies.

There was, following the Yangtze incidents, the stories disseminated by interested parties that Britain had no intention of being caught napping twice: she would, in fact, abandon Hong Kong this time after a token resistance. As "proof" of this our non-intervention policy in the civil war was pointed to, and our abstention from taking stringent action when our warships were shelled. Local Communists and opportunists were strutting, although not yet in public, and even children were being told: "It won't be long before the foreigners are driven out."

The sending of 8,000 reinforcements, with planes, armaments and ships, plus the tentative suggestions for regional defence and the uncompromising statements of Western politicians, have somewhat deflated the birds of prey, but they still hope for their chance.

It is known that the most potent weapon the Communists expect to wield with a view to the absorption of Hong Kong without invasion is the creation of chaos by rioting, strikes, intimidation, disruption of communications and food supplies. In this plan they would be greatly aided if hundreds of thousands of refugees fled from the Southern provinces into the Colony, which would eventually be unable to provide accommodation, food or sanitation for the influx. Certain observers believed this would happen when Shanghai was in extremis: that city is likely to fall at any time, but the number of evacuees has been negligible. Now it is being suggested that the Canton garrison commander's advice that as many citizens as possible should leave the city means that vast numbers will flock to Hong Kong.

Should they do so, the situation could well become unmanageable, but there is as yet no indication of any mass migration. Canton is, like Shanghai, grossly overpopulated at the moment, and whether the city is to be made the scene of street-to-street fighting or not, the most obvious thing for any commander to do is to get rid of the non-essentials. Reports reaching here in the past two days indicate that large numbers are indeed moving out of the city and going back to their villages, where they are assured of food and shelter, and where they do not expect to be molested by the Communists.

Only three or four thousand people have come to Hong Kong in the past 48 hours—a negligible number. Further there has been no sign of vast numbers of evacuees pouring from Hankow since its abandonment. Most of those fleeing have been wives and families, or profiteers afraid to remain in case of confiscation and personal danger.

It goes without saying that many more people will flee to the Colony before the last



PART I: "THE PRIMATE OF HUNGARY"

THE MINDSZENTY STORY

Conquest Of Vanity
After Meteoric Start

BY THE VERY REV.
DR. NICHOLAS BOER

was born on March 29, 1892, in Csehi-Mindszent. He attended the elementary school in his native village and received his secondary schooling at nearby Szombathely, the famous old city which the Romans knew as Sabaria. In the seminary of Szombathely he finished his theological studies. His bishop, Count Miklos, wished to send the gifted boy to Vienna to complete his higher education, but the future Cardinal, eager to begin the practice of the priesthood, preferred to stay in Szombathely. When he had finished his studies, his professors again attempted to have the bishop send him abroad, but Count Miklos, remembering the first refusal, replied: "If I have once given a man a moment and he disappointed from his horse I shall not offer him another." And so Mindszent became a teacher of religion. After a very short tenure of a country curacy he became a religious instructor in Zalagereszeg. This remote Transdanubian town became, between 1917 and 1944, the scene of the development of an extraordinary personality, a preparatory workshop for the man who was to govern many souls and guide the whole of Hungary.

Two events illumine his record as teacher of the faith. He was imprisoned by the first Communist Revolution because of his militant opposition. After the fall of the Communist regime and his release from prison the people asked the bishop to appoint the young priest to be their spiritual guide. What did he accomplish in these quiet, unobtrusive years in Zalagereszeg? Almost in secret, the seeds were sown of a Hungarian miracle which, three years ago, fired even the lazy and indifferent and gave the sons of the doomed country hope, faith, joy of living, a new spirit and a belief in the eternal. The whole town of Zalagereszeg, the whole Southern part of County Zala is packed with the monuments of Mindszent's creative work. The Franciscan Church, monastery and paragonage; the College of Notre Dame; the St. Joseph Home; the Zrinyi Printing Works, bookshop and the county newspaper were all the work of his initiative and purpose. In Southern Zala eighteen new churches, nine churches, thirteen paragonages and six new Catholic schools were all established by him. In the beginning people were staggered by his plans, which seemed impossible to execute; later they accepted even his greater schemes without surprise, for everything he set his hand to he carried through successfully. He lived as if he were living in his church; he even collected the order of seating. He lived in the county and the town hall as if the county and the town had been the focus of his activity. He lived as if the care and visiting of the sick were his chief concern as if he had no other work at all. He lived as if charity were his most personal concern, knowing that the poorest of the poor, the elementary school-children, the college students, the aged and the poor. He organized the Barefoot Charity of the infant scholars through which the children of Zala received a thousand pairs of boots. Among the secondary school students he assured the studies of sixty or seventy by obtaining for them free meals in strict rotation with different families. Every people were maintained in the St. Joseph Home. Mindszent was no self-seeker. He served the Church, Christ and his flock. It is the eternal miracle of the spirit that whoever stifles in himself the narrowness of self-seeking develops the many-sidedness of living for his fellows; that whoever ceases to live into himself and into a richly versatile Man of the Community; he becomes the great Christian paradox, the complete, magnetic, radiant, inspiring personality.

Meteoric Start

Cardinal Mindszent's career has been truly meteoric. His beginnings were simple enough. He

chapter of the civil war is written, and it is true that some unforeseen trend of events could swell the influx to a suffocating extent. At such a disturbed time it is, however, essential to keep events in perspective and take things as they come, while preparing as far as possible against likely contingencies. And as there is no intention to keep out Chinese, no matter how many may care to come; to worry about it seems like worrying about the next typhoon.

Conquest Of Vanity

Only one who has completely conquered all the vanities of self-seeking can be absorbed utterly in the disinterested service of principles. And Cardinal Mindszent was such a man. In the Zalagereszeg vicarage, the last afternoon before he succeeded to the episcopal see of Veszprem, it was his sole preoccupation to see to the public weal; in his companion with the sufferings of others he is a gentle servant of Jesus. It was a testimonial to a character matured in manhood, worthy to govern a diocese and the Church of a whole country in the most difficult times. His ordination as Bishop of Veszprem took place in the Basilica of Esztergom on March 26, 1944, ten



"Dear Member,
Just a reminder that the third Friday noon of May is Monday, May 23."

That's one of the things I'd prefer to forget.

No, Myrtle, Britain's Foot Guards are not 12 inches high, and the Household Cavalry is not employed to take the palace mounds for drives round the park.

"Britain asks more assistance for children of Asia."
More cumshaw, more whiskey, more soda...?

"Escaping retribution, he takes refuge with clinic worker Joan Fontaine, who saves him."
Rubbish!

From Alaska sinister stories seep through of Eskimo subversives spraying their ice igloos with scarlet ink. The Senatorial ship squandered... surveying the situation with suspicion.

"I don't understand why a handsome boy like John should marry an ugly woman 20 years his senior."
"When you want banknotes, you don't look at their faces!"

Regularly come stories from America about shooting affairs among boys of tender years. Some people are said to feel the time is ripe to call the small fry together and adopt a programme of gradual disarmament.

Circus clowns are accused by a Soviet committee of still being funny in the old bourgeois, capitalist way.

It is pointed out to them that it is better to be ideologically ineffectual than ideologically ineffectual.

"The first of a series of 'afternoon relaxers' will be held on Friday, the subject being 'Communism'."

Relax, everybody...

"Partly cloudy and mild today, with later showers, followed by night."

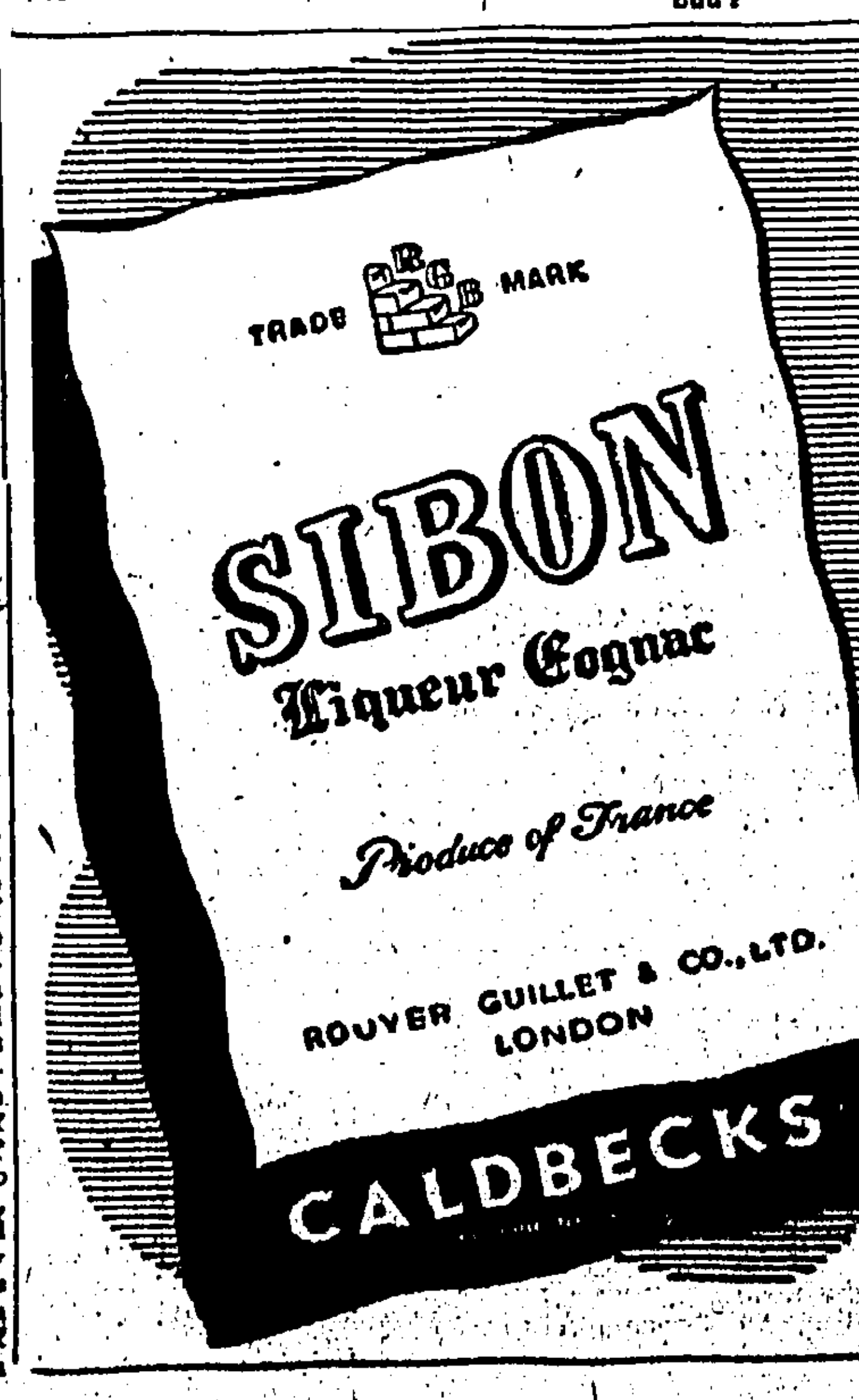
Dash it! Same old bag of tricks.

Some there are so set and stubborn
Only death can clear their eyes,
And the wild atomic anger
Of a world at war made wise...

Former goobler poses as judge and passes a number of sentences. He had the courage of his convictions to go that far.



(To Be Continued Tomorrow)



FOREIGN MINISTERS OF WESTERN ALLIES MEET

Preparations For Unity At Big-Four Conference WEST'S APPREHENSION

Paris, May 15.

The representatives of the Foreign Ministers of the United States, Britain and France will meet for the second time here tomorrow. Their aim, it has been officially admitted, is to make sure in advance that the West will speak with one voice when the representative of the East, the Soviet Foreign Minister, M. Andrei Vyshinsky, arrives in Paris in exactly one week's time.

Their deliberations are being kept secret. At yesterday's meeting Dr. Philip Jessup, for the United States, Sir Ivone Kirkpatrick, for Britain, and M. Alexandre Parodi, for France, solemnly pledged themselves not to communicate with the Press in any way. This applied to even any public mention of the general subjects to be discussed by them during the week.

Britain's Warning On Europe

Baron, Holland, May 15.

Britain warned yesterday against building too much on the recently founded European Council.

The British delegate, Mr. Dennis Healy, explained to representatives of free European Socialist Parties the identical view of British Labour and government on European unity, main subject of the three-day Socialist conference.

The Council recently founded in London by governments of 10 European countries is to meet for the first time in Strasbourg next autumn.

The issue should be approached with optimism, Mr. Healy said, and everybody should do his utmost to make the Strasbourg meeting a success.

But on the other hand, he expressed some scepticism and warned against building too much on it since the Council's Consultative Assembly would be composed of individuals. His Party and government were one in the belief that the main effort should be made on government level.

Mr. Healy reiterated the view that Britain would rather see a gradual coming into being of a European union than fix it now on the lines of a special system. The organisation should grow out of the needs of the moment, he said.

He warned against the creation of a West European super state to compete with the United States and the Soviet Union.

The conference, after discussing administration of nationalised industries and the international control of basic industries, heard a secret talk by V. Laroque of Belgium on European unity.—Associated Press.

HAWKER JET BACK IN LONDON

London, May 15.

The Hawker experimental jet fighter P1052 which flew to Paris in just over 21 minutes on Friday arrived back at London airport today.

The pilot, T. S. Wade, chief test pilot of the Hawker aircraft Company, did not attempt a record on the return journey from Paris as weather experts said that conditions were unfavourable.—Reuters.

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HUNGARY'S THIRD ELECTION

Budapest, May 15.

Hungary's third General Election was held in beautiful spring sunshine today with polling almost completed everywhere in the country by early afternoon.

Although the counting of votes began as soon as all the eligible voters had cast their ballots, final results for the entire country are not expected until Tuesday.

Some villages have already announced the result, between 95 and 100 per cent for the People's Front.

In contrast to previous elections there was no competition between parties. The two parties which had been in opposition joined the People's Front several months ago and presented their candidates on a United list with the other three member parties of the Front.

The electorate had the choice of voting for or against the five parties of the Front or to abstain.

Polling was reported to have been very heavy. Some village polling stations reported a 100 per cent turn out of eligible voters this morning.

A general air of festivity and holiday spirit appeared to prevail in towns and villages.

Old village women, dressed in their traditional Sunday black, carrying bibles and rosaries, walked from church services directly to polling stations.

Catholic priests and nuns also voted both in the villages and in Budapest.

Priests Vote

The first official communiqué on the results late tonight gave an Opposition vote of about five per cent among the first 36,000 votes counted. There were 34,725 votes for the People's Front, 1,224 against it, and 351 votes were invalidated.

A communiqué by the Ministry of the Interior, referred to reported attempts by Catholic nuns to vote openly for the People's Front instead of following instructions to go into the election booths in secrecy.

The Ministry of the Interior said that the reason for these attempts was "transparent". In Esterhazy, formerly the seat of Cardinal Mindszenty, children members of the Youth Movement marched through the streets singing songs deriding war-mongers and rumour-mongers, adding: "If you don't want to have them, vote before 8 p.m."

Yesterday, Budapest restaurants gave bills to customers running into billions of pengos, the Hungarian inflation currency which had been invalidated by the Communist currency stabilisation on August 1, 1946.

The bills said: "Remember the inflation: if you wish to see the other side of the picture, turn this bill over." On the other side the regular bill was given with the slogan: "Vote for the People's Front."—Reuters.

Tory Claim In Local Elections

London, May 15.

Conservative Party Headquarters today announced that final tabulations from last week's local elections showed that Conservatives had gained 1,171 Council seats, 842 of them at the expense of Labour incumbents, and lost only 67.

The Conservatives claimed Labour lost 1,134 seats and gained 223 during the week-long balloting for borough and urban district councils throughout Britain, and termed these results a major political disaster for the Labour Party.

The elections were generally considered a preliminary test of major Party strength before next year's general elections.

Meanwhile, Mr. Morgan Phillips, General Secretary of the Labour Party, said tonight that results received by the head office of the Labour Party up to date showed that in last week's elections Labour gained 395 seats and lost 1,090.

"Of these," he said, "there were 34 gains in county boroughs and 314 losses; in London boroughs eight gains and 271 losses; in Urban and rural district councils 250 gains and 248 losses; in Scotland 25 gains and 20 losses."

He continued, "In the recent County Council elections Labour gained 80 seats and lost 333. The net position to date of the two series of local elections is 481 Labour gains and 1,423 Labour losses, a net loss of 942. "Though final results of last week's elections are not yet to hand, it is now clear that Labour will retain more than 1,000 seats of its postwar gains."—United Press and Reuters.

Eastern Germany To Vote For People's Congress

Berlin, May 16.

Russia allied herself with German nationalism yesterday in a drive to impose Moscow's peace terms on the Western powers.

Eastern Germany was urged by its Communist rulers to roll up a mammoth "Yes" vote yesterday and today for a German people's Congress.

When the Paris conference of Foreign Ministers convenes, this Congress will act as a German mouthpiece for Russia's demands. Of 10,000,000 Germans in Soviet occupied territory, the Communist Front apparently expected at least 10,000,000 would vote yes. "Germany shall be heard," the official Soviet Army newspaper *Tass* declared.

Yet the election is not an election and the Congress is not a Congress.

The Western Allies have banned the People's Congress election in their zones, but the Communist Committees selected 500 delegates who will claim to represent Western Germany in that body.

The Soviet-licensed German news agency ADN reported quick and frictionless voting in Eastern provinces yesterday. Several districts of Brandenburg were finished three hours after the polls opened.

Confident officials in East Berlin publicly urged Western military government officials to come to the Red-bannered City Hall and see for themselves that this election cannot be anything else than democratic. None accepted.

ADN disclosed that the People's Congress will attempt to send a delegation to Paris to lay approved German claims before the Council of Foreign Ministers.—Associated Press.

New Airport On Cape Verde Inaugurated

Lisbon, May 15.

An airport whose construction was recommended at the Rio de Janeiro air navigation conference in July 1947, was today inaugurated at Espargos, Sal Island, in the Portuguese Cape Verde group.

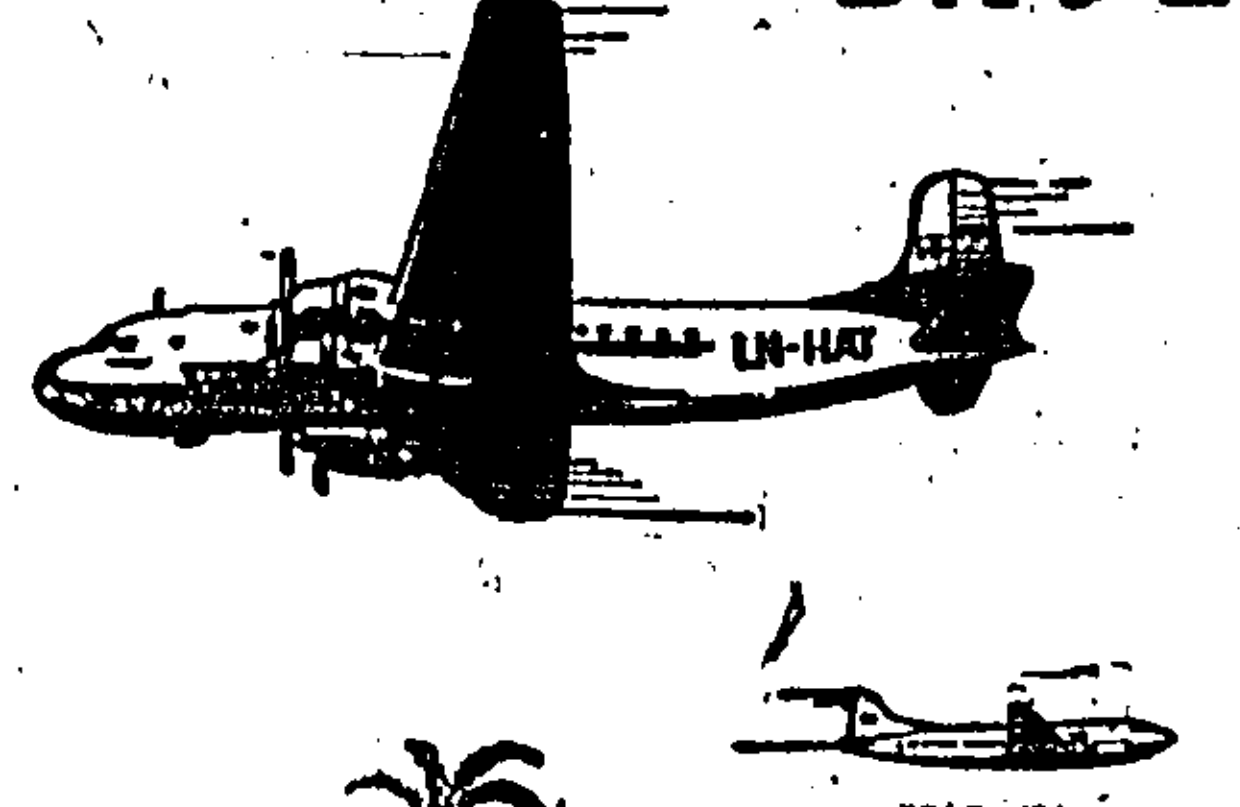
Colonel Gomes Arrujo, Portuguese Communications Minister, opened the airport at a ceremony attended by American, British, French, Spanish, Italian and Argentine Air Attaches, Air line representatives and the Portuguese Admiral, Gago Coutinho, who was the first to fly across the South Atlantic in 1922.

Five firms are expected to use the airport—Brazil's Pan-Air, Argentine Fama, E.L.M. Royal Dutch Airlines, the Scandinavian Airlines System and British South-American Airways.—Reuters.

Second Congress

A second Congress, convened last year to draft a German constitution which the Russian wanted for use in opposing any con-

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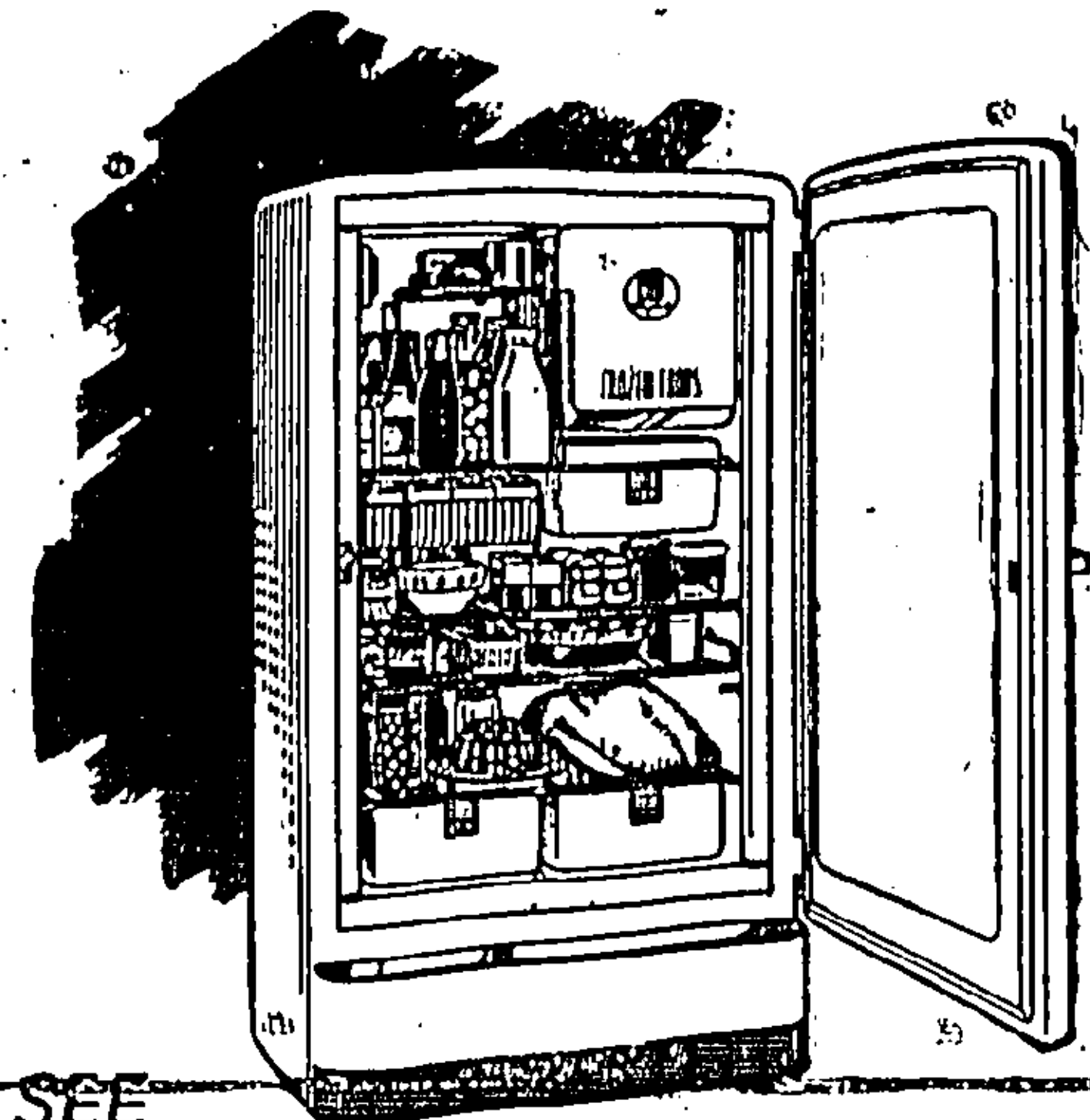
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PACIFIC DEFENCE PACT UP TO ASIA, U.S. SAYS; FIRM FOUNDATION VITAL

Washington, May 15.

United States officials believe that the Asian nations must decide for themselves, without any outside prodding or encouragement, whether they want a Pacific defence pact similar to the Atlantic alliance and whether they can achieve a firm foundation on which to base it. If the Asian nations can agree among themselves on the necessity for a Pacific pact, and if they can achieve the preliminary economic co-operation which the United States Government believes to be a necessary basis for any such arrangement, then U.S. will have a sympathetic ear to any requests for marginal assistance.

London Seamen Supporting Canadian Crew

London, May 15.
London dockers and seamen today pledged their solidarity, through a Stevedores Union resolution, with the striking crew of the Canadian vessel, Beaverbrae, in London.

The Canadian Seamen's Union is striking all over the world over wage claims and the recognition of the International Seafarers' Union.

Mr. Harry Davis, President of the Seamen's Union, who arrived in Britain from Canada declared at public meeting today that the strike was going to be a long one.

"The shipowners are spending hundreds of thousands of dollars to break it, including flying in crews from Canada," he said. He added that the strike could be settled by the shipowners—the Canadian Government—"by negotiating with us, the recognised union."

He added: "We are ready to meet them on honest and reasonable terms—but no surrender."

Reuter.

More BBC For Russian Listeners

Moscow, May 15.
The British Broadcasting Corporation, in a statement published by the official British publication in the Soviet Union, the British Ally, today announced additional transmission times and wavelengths for Russian language broadcasts.

(The British and American broadcasting authorities recently disclosed that additional transmitters were to be used to overcome the jamming of their services to the Soviet Union.)
The British Ally announcement said: "The BBC expresses the hope that, by their measures, listeners will be able to receive our many broadcasts in Russian on at least one of the many operating wavelengths and recommends listeners to search the short waves for the station best audible."

Russians who had seen the announcement said that they were not interested in listening to the BBC which, they asserted, falsified or distorted facts.—Reuter.

IRAN-GERMAN TRADE PACT

Teheran, May 15.
A trade agreement between Persia and Germany providing for a turnover of \$16,000,000 a year is being discussed, it was announced here today.
Persia, under the agreement, would export cotton, wool, hides, oil, oilseeds, dyestuffs and minerals in return for steel, drugs, machine tools, electric equipment and cameras.
Trade balances would be settled quarterly in sterling. It was reported.—Reuter.

That, in general, is what United States officials have said. The general opinion is that some sort of unification of Asian interests must precede an alliance.

The latest to urge an Eastern alliance was the Chinese Ambassador, Dr. Wellington Koo, who made such a suggestion on Wednesday to the Secretary of State Mr. Acheson. Among others who have made a similar suggestion are the Philippine and Australian representatives.

On the other hand, the Indian Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru, does not feel the time is yet ripe for a Pacific pact.

U.S. Doubtful

While American officials do not rule out the possibility of a Pacific pact with American assistance sometime in the future, they are understood to be very doubtful whether conditions will favour it within the very near future.

Many of them agree with Nehru, who believes the instability of governments and economic conditions in many Eastern countries would preclude the possibility of achieving a cohesive and effective alliance.

They are unwilling to consider or suggest American participation in any alliance until a firmer basis exists upon which to build it.

Officials here view the Asian situation as quite different from the European where various nations of the Atlantic alliance have achieved somewhat the same stage of governmental and economic development and have complementary economies.

On the other hand most of the Far Eastern nations trade not with each other but with Western countries. The fact that some Asian countries still are dependent areas ruled from abroad also would complicate the matter of achieving a regional alliance, in the opinion of many officials here.

American officials are understood to be quite convinced of the unworkability of any Pacific regional alliance superimposed from outside or built from top down. Instead they think that it must originate in economic co-operation as did the Atlantic pact.

The point out that the Atlantic alliance grew from the Marshall plan into the Western Union and the flowered into a full-fledged defence alliance. Although this

Integrity Of Nations

There also is little likelihood that the United States would consent to participate in the pact guaranteeing the integrity of individual Far Eastern nations unless their individual governments enjoyed the support and confidence of their people. Officials feel there is some doubt that this is the case at present in Indonesia, China and Indo-China.

In addition, it is pointed out that logistics of the situation in the Pacific and Asia pose an entirely different problem from Europe. The vastness of the area presents difficulties not found in Europe.

One of the staunchest supporters of the Pacific pact, Carlos Romulo of the Philippines, has recognised difficulties in the way of such a pact.

Romulo, in a recent United Press interview, said that in approaching a Pacific pact, certain modifications probably would be necessary to suit the peculiar conditions of the Pacific area.

Politically, a question might arise concerning the status in such a pact of colonial or semi-colonial territories in the area. The military defence requirements of the vast Pacific area of the world involves problems of logistics not present in the more limited scope of the Atlantic pact.

Romulo thought, however, that these difficulties could be overcome by appropriate remedies. The Australian Defence Minister recently gave a cautious endorsement to the idea of a Pacific defence pact but thought it should be effected only if all nations were certain that the United Nations and the British Commonwealth provisions for security were adequate.

Premier Pandit Nehru's statement that he considered the time was not ripe for a Pacific pact was viewed here as a severe blow to supporters of such idea. United States officials were not unhappy about Nehru's statement since it coincided with their apparent first belief that the Asian nations must achieve some degree of stability before any pact they made would have a chance of success.—United Press.

To Help Greeks Use Their Hands

Washington, May 15.

Foreign recovery aid officials have earmarked US\$1,000,000 to help the Greeks learn to work with their hands.

ECA said a vocational training project was being organised in Greece under the direction of Alab Strachan, chief of the labour and manpower division of ECA's special mission to Greece.

The announcement said: "The programme will be based on training young men to use their hands in trades and crafts, as opposed to traditional education in classical subjects. Results are expected to contribute materially to the Greeks' recovery programme."

Training will cover such trades as car and other mechanical repairing, bricklaying, plumbing and carpentry.—United Press.

Danny Teams Up With GBS



American comedian, Danny Kaye (centre), sits with 92-year-old George Bernard Shaw at the home of Mr. B. Winsten (left), Shaw's next-door neighbour. After the party, Mr. Winsten said: "Shaw and Danny Kaye put on an act. It was spontaneous and carried out in mime."—AP Photo.

U.S. Air Force Planning New Defence Measures

Washington, May 15.

It was revealed today that the U.S. Air Force, worried about meeting attacks by future enemy super-bombers of the B-36 type, called aviation industry officials to a conference here on Friday to plan new fighter and radar defences.

High-ranking officers said the conferences would go into the whole field of air defence... design of fast-climbing interceptor planes, radar warning systems, communications and anti-aircraft. They said the meeting was not extraordinary.

However, it coincided with the recent disclosure concerning the problem of detecting and shooting down B-36 type bombers flying well above 40,000 feet.

The Air Force fighter development programme since the war has been aimed at achieving the best performance at 30,000 to 35,000 feet, but the B-36 pushed it to more than 40,000 feet.

So Air Force planners were reported to be planning urgently for interceptors that could perform effectively as high as 50,000 feet.

Lagging Behind

Commenting on this development, the latest issue of the trade magazine Aviation Week says: "United States Air Force fighter development is lagging from three to five years behind current bomber performance."

The Air Force and industry conference will consider military requirements for defending the United States against attacks from altitudes double those flown in World War II.

The Joint Chiefs of Staff at the same time have been discussing a Navy proposal that its best operational jet-fighters be thrown against Air Force B-36s to test Navy radar and interceptor capabilities.

The Defence Secretary's office has indicated that no decision was reached whether to stage such tests.

Many naval officers believe they could intercept super-bomber with 3-F-2H Banshees, ship-based fighters which climb to 40,000 feet in seven minutes after taking off and fly well over 400 miles an hour when they get there.

Air Force officials explained that whether B-36s could be made available for Navy exercises depended upon whether they could be spared from current manoeuvres and upon the type of operation proposed.—United Press.

BOMBAY MAYOR ON WORLD TOUR

Geneva, May 15.
Mr. S. K. Patil, Mayor of Bombay, left here by air today for Paris on the third leg of his world tour to study municipal government.

Mr. Patil has spent three days in Switzerland visiting municipal officials in Geneva, Bern, Lausanne and Montreux. His first stop was Rome.

After France, Mr. Patil plans to visit Belgium, Holland, Britain and the United States—there he will spend about his two months' tour.

He is accompanied by Mr. Parikh, General Secretary of the Bombay Municipal Corporation.—Reuter.

Israel Invited To Scientific Conference

Lake Success, May 16.

The U.N. announced on Saturday that Israel had been asked to take part in the U.N. Scientific Conference on the use of conservation of the world's resources.

The three-week conference starting here on August 17 is the first such U.N. parley to which Israel has been invited since the Palestinian nation became the 59th member on Wednesday.

Israel has been invited to contribute scientific papers on the Transjordan Valley water power and irrigation project, the use of subsoil in the Negev Desert, extraction of chemicals from the Dead Sea, fish farming, the use of cactus beans as a source of industrial raw material and the use of vegetable raw materials for the production of food type proteins.

So far more than 450 world scientists, engineers and technical experts from 38 countries have accepted invitations to prepare papers for the conference. An Israeli spokesman here said he expected a number of Israeli Scientists would contribute.—Associated Press.

ATTACK ON U.S. POLICY BY RUSSIAN PAPER

Moscow, May 16.

The newspaper Red Star claimed yesterday that American authorities are being forced to reverse their trade policy towards Eastern and Western Europe.

An editorial signed by "Observer" said that an American-inspired policy of discouraging trade between nations participating in the European Recovery Plan and Eastern Europe had failed.

Recent statements by Ambassador Averell Harriman and the assistant to the Secretary of Commerce, Thomas Blaisdell, on the necessity of increasing trade bonds between the countries of Eastern and Western Europe are nothing less than an open confession of the failure of the American trade policy of trade discrimination, the paper declared.—Associated Press.

BERLIN COMMENT ON NEW STATUTE

Berlin, May 15.

Western-licensed Berlin newspapers today welcomed the increased powers granted to the City Government in yesterday's "Little Occupation Statute" for Western Berlin, but regretted that the powers were not wider.

The British-licensed Telegraph said: "Not all the directives of the Berlin Statute are satisfactory, but there is no doubt that the Berlin German Administration is now receiving more powers than it had before."

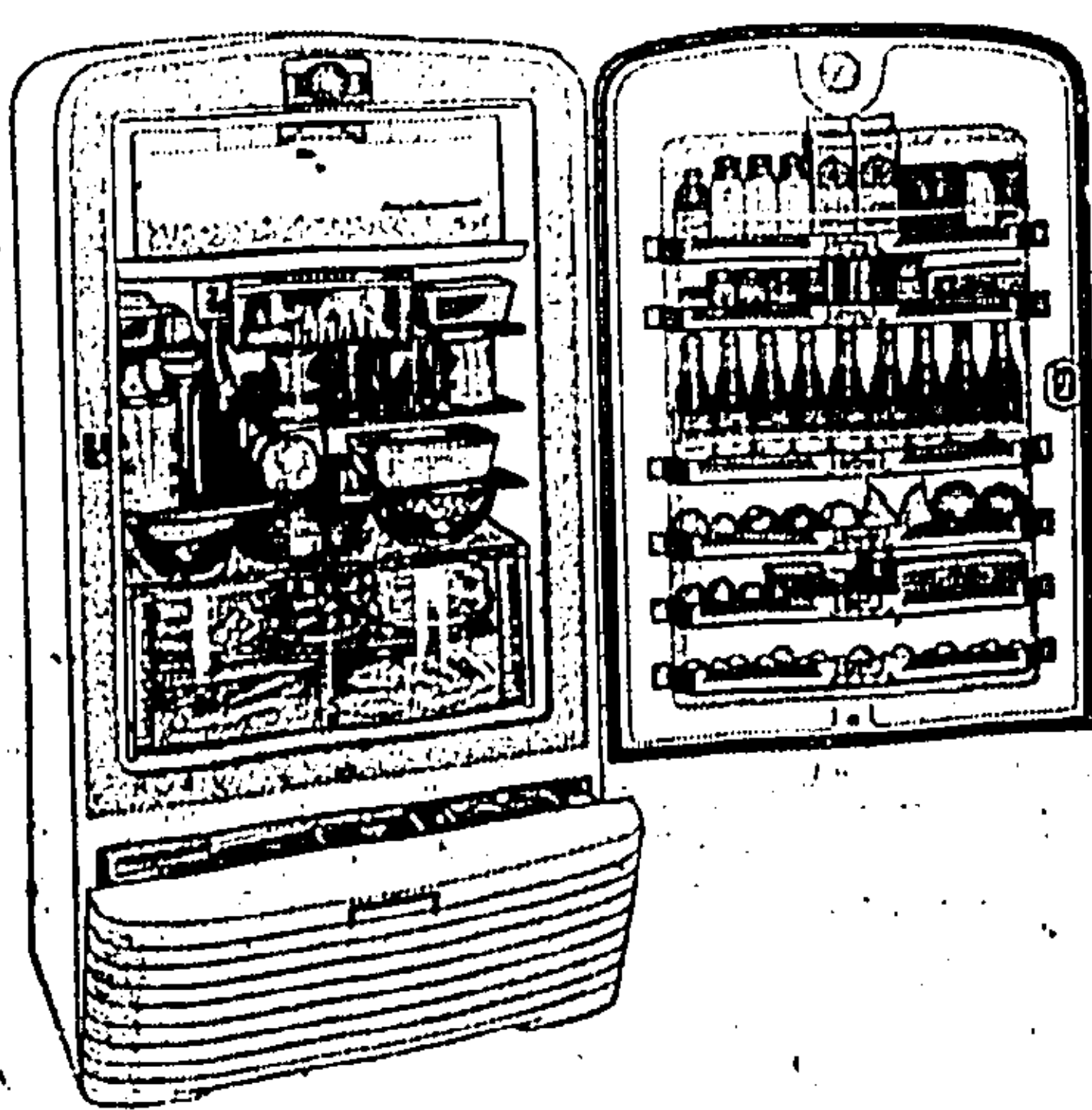
The Soviet-official Taglichko Rundschau said the Statute increased the powers of the Western Commandants and restricted the administrative independence of the West Berlin Magistrat "even further."—Reuter.

KARL GRUBER BACK IN VIENNA

Paris, May 15.

The Austrian Foreign Minister, Dr. Karl Gruber, left by train for Vienna tonight after finding a great deal of understanding in the talks with the Western Government representatives, an Austrian Legation spokesman said.

In a series of meetings, Dr. Gruber urged that the Austrian Treaty of Independence be a priority item on the agenda of the Big Four Foreign Ministers Conference to be held on May 23.—Reuter.



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Tension Heightened In Tripolitania As Civil Disobedience Proclaimed

Charges By Polish Embassy

London, May 16. The Polish Embassy charged yesterday that the United States State Department threatened to seize the liner Batory unless her master surrendered the fugitive Communist Gerhart Eisler.

Eisler is being held in Southampton and is being carried off the Polish liner on Saturday, by four stalwart British policemen.

Eisler issued a statement of his own through the Polish Embassy declaring, "I am the first prisoner of the North Atlantic pact." The 52-year-old Communist jumped \$25,000 bail in the U.S. and stowed away aboard the Batory while two prison sentences were pending against him.

He charged he was kidnapped and his rights as a political refugee brutally violated.

The Polish Embassy said it took a serious view of the incident. It said a protest would be lodged with the British Foreign Office on Monday against what it regarded as a flagrant violation of Polish sovereignty. In Washington, the U.S. State Department said there would be no immediate comment on the Polish charges.

An Embassy spokesman said the statement was issued after consultation with Warsaw. He said Poland was especially incensed at the virtual commandeering of a Polish ship in British waters.

At one stage of the eight hours of negotiation on board the vessel at Southampton, the captain, Jan Cwiklinski, was virtually held prisoner on his own ship by Scotland Yard officers, the spokesman asserted.

Albert Morski, counsel of the Embassy, told a news conference the British officers who boarded the Batory apparently feared members of the crew might interfere.

He said Detective Inspector W. E. Bray of Scotland Yard warned that a British tender was tied to the Batory and was equipped with radio to call for assistance instantly should it become necessary.

Mrs. Jan Panski, Chief of the Polish Shipping Mission in Britain, estimated that about 40 British and American officials boarded the ship.

He said that at one stage, Captain Cwiklinski and other Polish officers were told they must leave the cabin in which they were gathered, and plainclothesmen blocked the door.—Associated Press.

As You Like It, the third Shakespearean film starring Sir Laurence Olivier, will be given its American premiere at Boston on June 30.

"As You Like It" will be distributed in the same way as Sir Laurence's first picture, Henry V, which in three years has grossed more than US\$3,000,000 in America. It will be given special twice daily showings with all seats reserved.

"As You Like It", directed and produced by Paul Czinner, has Sir Laurence as Orlando, Elizabeth Bergner as Rosalind with Henry Ainley, Felix Aylmer, Leon Quartermaine, Sophie Stewart and Mackenzie Ward in the supporting cast.—Associated Press.

Tension was further heightened in the British-administered territory today when the National Congress—an organisation of local leaders claiming to represent all Tripolitania—told the Civil Administrator that civil disobedience had been proclaimed.

Earlier the curfew had been extended. In addition to demonstrations, the emergency was proclaimed yesterday when an angry crowd stoned civil and military police.

Cyrennians in Eastern Libya today joined the Tripolitani in Western Libya in denouncing the British plan before the United Nations for giving Italy trusteeship over Tripolitania in 1935.

But whereas the Tripolitani have been actively resistant, the Cyrennians were peaceful. About 400 Cyrennians in the municipal square in Benghazi listened to speeches demanding unity for Libya and independence, and denouncing trusteeship.

Shouting and carrying slogans, they then moved to the palace of the Emir, the Sayed Mohammed Idris of the Senussi, where they were later dispersed without incident.

Feeling Expressed

In denouncing the Tripolitani plan the demonstrators expressed a feeling among Cyrennians which was considered widespread here today.

In London, the London Centre of the Congress of Peoples against Imperialism passed a resolution at a meeting today declaring its solidarity with the people of Tripolitania in their protests against the trusteeship proposals.

The resolution declared the Centre supported the protests and the general strike against the British-Italian proposals for the continued subjection of Tripolitania in the form of a trusteeship under Britain and later Italy.

The Congress, whose headquarters are in Paris, has mainly African and Asiatic members, mostly with Socialist views.—Reuter.

Woman Flier Safe After Iran Landing

Paris, May 15. Madame Andre Dupeyron, French woman flier who was overdue on a Karachi-Baghdad flight, back to France, was today reported safe and sound after a forced landing in Eastern Persia.

This was reported by the radio telegraph centre at the Bordeaux Mergnac air base.

Her husband, who lives at Mont-de-Marsan, South West France, said he received a phone call from Paris saying that she had landed in Iran.

Mrs. Dupeyron left Jiwani, Baluchistan, last Thursday morning on her way back to France after falling in her bid to set up a "straight line" long distance record between France and Karachi. She had been missing for more than 80 hours.

British, United States and Pakistan planes took part in a combined air-sea search over the Persian Gulf in which a British naval tug, the Pakistan Royal Vessel, Peshawar, and merchant ships took part.—Reuter.

They Want To Sleep At Home

Newcastle-on-Tyne, May 15. Five hundred engine drivers and firemen at the Herton depot of the nationalised Railways struck work today because they want to sleep at home and not in railway hostels.

It was decided not to make the strike continuous but to stage a token strike every Sunday until the Railways Administration withdraws the system by which crews working long distance trains have to lodge away from home.

The men say that, except in the case of express, this could be avoided by changes of crews.

The strike committee here is getting in touch with drivers and firemen at other depots in the section and if they receive their support there may be 2,000 to 3,000 on strike next Sunday.

Today's strike did not cause a serious delay to railway traffic.—Reuter.

Fighting In Chin Hills; 25 Killed

Rangoon, May 15. Fighting between Government troops and insurgents has broken out in the Chin Hills in Western Burma, a Government communique reported tonight.

Twenty-five insurgents were killed and 15 captured in a clash near Kalemyo, about 60 miles East of the Assam-Burma border, and Government troops beat back rebel attacks, killing 10, near Falam, 30 miles South West of Kalemyo, the communique said.

According to earlier reports "Red Flag" Communists were operating in this area.

The communique claimed that Government forces inflicted heavy casualties when they attacked Karen headquarters at Kalitaw, in the Hanthawaddy district south Rangoon.

Meanwhile, two thousand Burmese Indian and Chinese workers protested here today against the execution of S.A. Ganapathy, Indian trade union leader in Malaya.

Workers condemned the action of the Malayan Colonial Government as dastardly at a mass meeting in Rangoon's main square, organised by the Burma Trade Union Congress.

The meeting also urged workers in South East Asia to "unite and crush capitalism".—Reuter.

MR. MENON VISITS OXFORD

Oxford, May 15. The High Commissioner for India in London, Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon, visited Oxford today to meet Indian students at the University.

He entertained them to tea and afterwards spoke to them informally, answering questions and advising them about their problems.

There are about 40 Indian students at Oxford University, both men and women.—Reuter.

Motor Ricksha Trial Run

London, May 15. A motor ricksha built at Birmingham for export to India, and the Far East, today completed a test run from John O'Grada, North Scotland, to Land's End, Western tip of Cornwall.

Its running time for the 888 miles was 54 hours. The ricksha did the journey non-stop except for an interval to mend a broken dynamo chain.—Reuter.

Bomb Blast In Barcelona Consulates

Madrid, May 15. The Spanish Consulates-General in Bolivia, Peru and Brazil were all damaged by bombs early this morning. There were no casualties.

The explosions occurred almost simultaneously.

The Brazilian and Bolivian Consulates-General on the first floor, high above street level, suffered relatively small damage. But the Peruvian Consulate-General, in a villa in Montaner Street in a fashionable quarter of the city, had a six-foot square hole in the wall. The greater part of the ground floor was wrecked. Furniture was broken and fittings shattered.

(Bolivia, Brazil and Peru, with Colombia, on May 7 laid a resolution before the United Nations' Political Committee rescinding the Assembly's 1946 decision to break off ambassadorial relations with Spain.

(By 25 to 16 votes the Committee decided to leave member states full freedom of action in their diplomatic relations with Spain.

(Barcelona was a strong Republican centre during the Spanish civil war).—Reuter.

Volga Baptism Denounced By Holy Synod

Moscow, May 15. The Holy Synod of the Russian Orthodox Church has denounced as a violation of public decency a baptismal ceremony held near Saratov, on the Volga last February when several people, blessed by priests, plunged naked into the icy waters of the River.

The Council of Moscow Patriarchate, announcing this, added that Bishop Boris of Saratov was found guilty of lack of supervision and would be transferred to a smaller diocese.

This decision follows the publication by Pravda, the Communist Party organ, last February of a report of the ceremony.

The aim of the ceremony, the paper then said, was to cure the persons concerned of diseases and the officiating priest had insisted on complete stripping, failing which "they would not receive complete benediction".

Several people were reported to have been sent to hospital as a result.—Reuter.

U.S. LOAN TO SPAIN EXPECTED

London, May 15. A world copyright dispatch from Barcelona in today's "Sunday Times" said that, according to a reliable diplomatic source, a United States loan to Spain will soon be announced.

On May 2, Senor Andres Moreno, one of Spain's leading financiers, left Madrid for New York. A Reuter message from Madrid at the time said that this seemed to indicate that the matter of a loan to Spain by the Export and Import Bank was reaching a practical stage.—Reuter.

CANTONESE BY RADIO

BY S.K. LEE

Lesson 33 (A) (Repeated)

VOCABULARY:	To cook.
204. (chue) Joe (S)	Morning.
205. (chit) Joe (S)	Bedtime. Further. Bill.
206. (chung) (S) Joong	An egg.
207. (naan) (S) daan (or) daan (S)	To fry.
208. (tuid) dsoo (S)	Alive. Born. Raw. Unripe.
209. (shaang) shaang (S)	Unfamiliar.
210. (shuk) (S) shook	Cooked. Ripe. Familiar.
211. (taal) taare (S)	Too. Excessively.
212. (hong) hong (S)	To bake. To toast.
213. (taal) taare (S)	A slice. A pane.
	Classifier for flat things having reasonable thickness.
214. (tuit) tuit (S)	To cut. To slice.
215. (haa) (S) ha	Thick.
216. (pok) (S) bok	Thin.
217. (taal) (S) naay	Milk.
USEFUL EXPRESSIONS:	
(22) Taare (S) taare (S)	Mrs. Madam.
(23) Heo (S) dea (S)	Miss.
IMITATIVE EXPRESSIONS:	
(4) Yut (S) faay (S) daw (S) see (S)	(A piece of) toast.
EXERCISES:	
1. Joe (S) Joe (S)	Well cooked.
2. (S) Joong (S) yau (S) moht	Is (are) there any more?
3. (S) Joong (S) yau (S) dea (S)	There is (are) some more.
4. (S) Naay (S) Joong yeeo (S) mah? (S)	Do you want any more?
5. (S) Naay (S) Joong yeeo (S) dea (S)	I want some more.
6. (S) Joong (S) ha	Better still.
7. Faw (S) tui (S)	Ham.
8. Teen (S) (S) yook	Bacon.
9. Dsoen (S) daan (S)	To fry eggs. Fried eggs.
10. Dsoen (S) shaang (S) (S) shook	Medium-cooked.
11. Taare (S) (S) shook	Over-cooked. Over-ripe.
12. Hong (S) daw (S) see (S)	To make toast.
13. (S) Meen baau (S)	Bread.
14. (S) Bok-dee (S) bok-dee (S)	The thinner the better.
15. (S) Ngau (S) naay	(Cow's) milk.
16. (S) Mui (S) pay.	Oat-meal. Porridge.
BREAKFAST:	
A. Dsoen (S) (S) shun, Taare (S) Taare (S)	Good morning, Madam.
B. Dsoen (S) (S) shun, Taare (S) Taare (S)	Good morning.
C. Dsoen (S) (S) shun, Taare (S) Taare (S)	Is breakfast ready yet?
D. Dsoen (S) (S) shun, Taare (S) Taare (S)	No, not yet.
E. Dsoen (S) (S) shun, Taare (S) Taare (S)	What will you eat this morning?
F. Dsoen (S) (S) shun, Taare (S) Taare (S)	Is there any more ham?
G. Dsoen (S) (S) shun, Taare (S) Taare (S)	There's no ham.
H. Dsoen (S) (S) shun, Taare (S) Taare (S)	There's bacon.
I. Dsoen (S) (S) shun, Taare (S) Taare (S)	Well then, bacon and eggs.
J. Dsoen (S) (S) shun, Taare (S) Taare (S)	How many eggs to be fried?
K. Dsoen (S) (S) shun, Taare (S) Taare (S)	Fry four eggs.
L. Dsoen (S) (S) shun, Taare (S) Taare (S)	Don't over-fry the eggs, medium-cooked would be all right.
M. Dsoen (S) (S) shun, Taare (S) Taare (S)	Shall I make toast?
N. Dsoen (S) (S) shun, Taare (S) Taare (S)	I don't want toast.
O. Dsoen (S) (S) shun, Taare (S) Taare (S)	Give me two slices of bread.
P. Dsoen (S) (S) shun, Taare (S) Taare (S)	Miss would like to eat toast; make her a fat slice.
Q. Dsoen (S) (S) shun, Taare (S) Taare (S)	The bread, don't cut so thickly, the thinner the better.
R. Dsoen (S) (S) shun, Taare (S) Taare (S)	Do you want milk and porridge as well?
S. Dsoen (S) (S) shun, Taare (S) Taare (S)	No.
T. Dsoen (S) (S) shun, Taare (S) Taare (S)	I'm not very hungry this morning.
U. Dsoen (S) (S) shun, Taare (S) Taare (S)	(To be continued)

BUDDHISTS IN BERLIN CELEBRATE

Berlin, May 15. Berlin's small Buddhist community met at the city's only temple today for the first time since 1942 to commemorate the birth of the "Enlightened One" 2,493 years ago.

The temple in the Frohnau area of the French sector was built in 1923 in the traditional style by a German Orientalist, the late Dr. Paul Duhke. In 1942, the Gestapo prohibited worship at the temple, and confiscated the nearby Buddhist publishing office.

The community are awaiting the return of Dr. Duhke's nephew from a Soviet prison camp to take over the functions of "priest of the Buddha".—Reuter.

LONDON POLICE PRECAUTIONS

London, May 15. London Police Headquarters are taking extra precautions against any disorders in connection with the two-day debate on the Ireland Bill which opens in the House of Commons tomorrow.

The Bill includes a guarantee that there shall be no change in the status of Northern Ireland as part of the United Kingdom without the consent of the Northern Ireland Parliament.

In addition to routine police measures by police on duty at the House of Commons, and the precautionary measures now in force at the War Office and the Admiralty, the Prime Minister's official residence in Downing Street, the Home Office and the Foreign and Colonial Offices will be watched day and night.—Reuter.



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Belgian Princess Gets Huge Welcome



Princess Josephine Charlotte, 21-year-old daughter of exiled King Leopold III of The Belgians, arrived in Belgium, recently on her first post-war visit to her native land. All along her way from the Luxembourg frontier to Brussels, she was greeted by enthusiastic pro-Leopoldists who turned her visit into a demonstration favouring the king's return to Belgium. She is seen with Queen Mother Elizabeth at the Brussels Palais des Beaux Arts, where they attended a concert.—AP Photo.

A-Rays Carry Damage Beyond First Generation, Fish Experiments Show

Seattle, Washington, May 15.
Fish experiments here have shown that atomic rays carry damage or death beyond the first generation of descendants.

"Translated into terms of human beings," said Dr. Lauren R. Donaldson, Director of the Applied Fisheries Laboratory at the University of Washington, "the research thus far indicates that the grandchildren of Nagasaki and Hiroshima survivors will be less fertile than normal parents and will produce more still-born or misshapen offspring if they have any families at all."
Dr. Donaldson, who has led the study of the effects of the Bikini atom bomb on marine life, is in charge of the radiation research at the Fisheries Laboratory. The Laboratory is the co-ordinating centre for almost all federally-supported research on effects of rays on marine life.
A special strain of "super-trout" have been used in the heredity studies. Under special cultivation they attain maturity in half the normal time, thereby doubling the speed of generations.
X-Ray Bombardment
In the experiments, seven groups of the fish were bombarded with varying intensities of X-Rays. Dr. Donaldson explained they are similar to the gamma rays from atomic explosions.
A fourth generation is currently being spawned, Dr. Donaldson said the intensive studies of the three generations by him and his assistants have shown that the larger the dosage of radiation received by the first generation, the more descendants will die or develop abnormalities.
"In succeeding generations," he reported, "the rate of survival is lower and the incidence of abnormalities increases, often among the descendants of trout that received only small doses."
He said large numbers of eggs from fish with irradiated ancestors are not fertile. In others the embryo dies during the incubation period or soon after hatching. Among those that hatched, a large percentage had defects of bone and nervous systems.
The spawning at the University Laboratory is done artificially to insure the cross-mating of parents of known ancestry. Fish markings identify males and females of each group. The "super-trout" have been developed at the University over the past 20 years by selective breeding and special diet.—Associated Press.

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Four Killed In Manila Street Fight

Manila, May 16.
Four persons were killed and
four others wounded when
Constabulary soldiers and
Manila policemen clashed in
Northern Manila early yester-
day following an alleged at-
tempt by the soldiers to abduct
a young taxi-dancer.

Preliminary investigation showed
that a Constabulary constable,
Ambrosio Salando, one of the
killed, had been courting a 15-
year-old taxi-dancer, Milagros
Ong.

After the closing of the cabaret,
Salando is alleged to have tried
to force her into a car with the
aid of other Constabulary men.
Police patrol-teams had in-
tervened. The shooting followed
an exchange of hot words be-
tween the soldiers and the po-
lice.

These killed were Salando,
another Constabulary corporal,
one policeman and a young
girl, who was hit by a stray
bullet while sleeping in her
home nearby.

The wounded included one
policeman, two Constabulary sol-
diers and another young woman,
housemate of the girl who was
killed.

The police and Constabulary
are investigating to determine
responsibility for the incident—
United Press.

NO PLACE FOR SPAIN IN ATLANTIC PACT--ACHESON

Washington, May 15.
The Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, will advise
the Congress this week that there is no place
in the Atlantic security pact for either Spain
or Western Germany.

His views, some repeating his previous declarations,
will be set down in the State Department
memorandum answering questions posed in the
Senate Foreign Relations Committee hearings
on the treaty.

In substance, he will state that
the Spanish and German member-
ship in the anti-Communist alli-
ance would be valuable strate-
gically from the military stand-
point but political considerations
make such a course impossible.

The memorandum is expected
to be made public late this week
after Mr. Acheson meets with the
Appropriations sub-committee on
issues touching Spain and China
and with the Foreign Relations
Committee for the discussion of
American policy toward Germany.

The sessions will follow Mr.
Acheson's final appearance at the
Capitol before he takes off on
Thursday for the momentous Big
Four Foreign Ministers meeting
on Germany in Paris.

Mr. Acheson has been under
strong pressure in the Congress to
restore full diplomatic relations
with Spain and to bring the
Francisco government into the
security accord. He already has
answered these with a blunt
statement that the Franco regime
is too totalitarian for such recog-
nition.

Mr. Acheson is expected to say
that Western Germany would be
of some help in assuring the
security of Western Europe but
with other nations opposing re-

militarisation of the Reich it is
not possible to bring Germany
into the pact.
Other points which Mr. Acheson
will stress include:
1. The Atlantic Council and
Defence Committee set up in the
pact will draw up mutual arms
production and defence pro-
grammes, but there will be no
commitment for use of American
troops in Europe.
2. The United States will con-
sider the distribution of all Ameri-
can military equipment to the
pact nations—if the Congress
passes the Arms for Europe bill.
The weapons will be handed out
under a co-operative plan to be
devised by the pact members.
None of the equipment can be
diverted to colonial campaigns
such as the Dutch trouble in
Indonesia and the French im-
passe in Indo-China.
3. Regardless of the outcome
of the Big Four Paris parley, the
pact must be ratified by the
United States Senate to show
Russia that the United States in-
tends to remain both cool and
firm.
Chairman Tom Connally of the
Foreign Relations Committee hopes
to end the hearings on the treaty
on Wednesday but he is uncertain

U.S. Labour Leaders Off For Israel

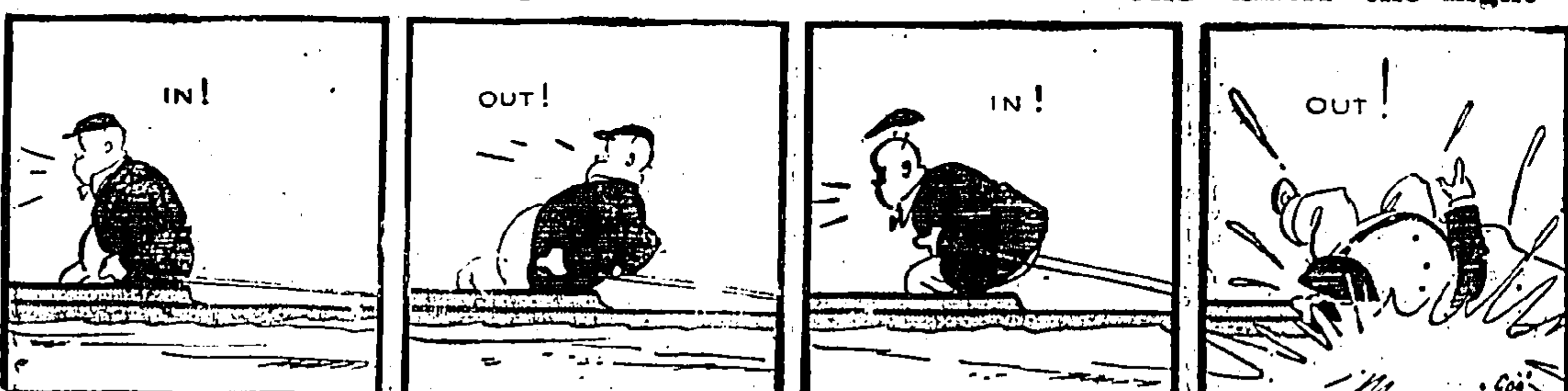
New York, May 15.
Three American labour lead-
ers today left Idlewild airport
by Air France for Paris, en
route to Tel-Aviv, where they
plan to make a three-week
study of economic and labour
conditions.

The men were Harry Green-
berg, Vice-President of the AFL
International Ladies Garment
Workers Union and chairman of
the administration committee of
the American Trade Unions
Council and National Committee
for Labour in Israel, Nathan
Ehrlich, President of the New
York AFL Bakers Local Union,
and Israel Goldberg, Vice-Pres-
ident of the United Hatters, Cap
and Millinery Workers Union.

Mr. Greenberg said the group
would report to the AFL and CIO
on their return and help plan a
campaign to raise \$2,000,000 to
assist the establishment of indus-
tries and trade schools in Israel.
—United Press.

when it will be sent to the floor
for ratification. He wants to re-
port on the pact favourably so
that Mr. Acheson will be fortified
by the Committee backing when
he enters the Paris conference.—
United Press.

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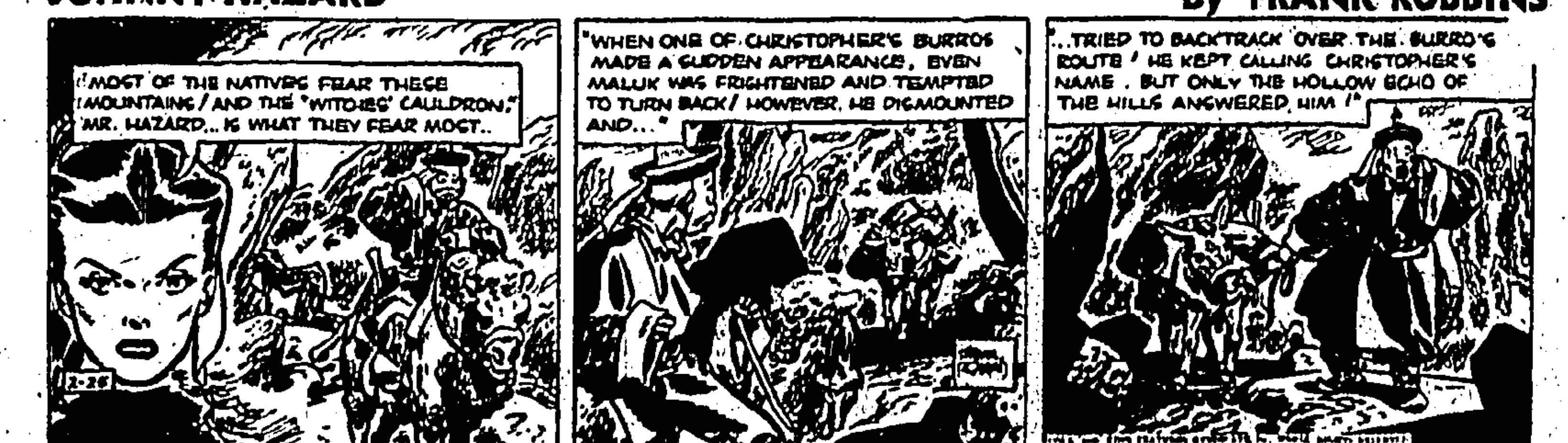
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Business Activity In U.S. Sags During Past Week

New York, May 15.

Business activity sagged again the past week under the cumulative weight of labour troubles and other unfavourable factors.

A normal Spring upturn was apparent in a few lines, but the dominant trend of industrial production, employment, sales, prices, forward buying, income and spending, construction and capital improvement outlays was slightly downward.

Inflation In Europe During 1948

Geneva, May 16.

France experienced the most rapid inflation of all European nations last year, the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe reported on Sunday.

Greece and Poland have suffered the most from post-war inflation.

Wholesale prices in France rose 33 per cent over last year. At the end of the year, retail prices were 19 per cent above the pre-war level.

In Greece, retail prices were 250 times pre-war, and in Poland, 133.

Greece recorded the second largest price increase last year. Wholesale prices jumped 23 per cent over 1947. Austrian and Turkish prices also rose substantially over the preceding year.

In Poland, prices remained at most level throughout last year. Italy had the third highest post-war inflation. Italian prices were 40 times the pre-war level.

Prices in Finland were eight times higher than before the war. In Spain and Hungary four times, in Czechoslovakia, Austria, Turkey and Belgium three times.

Lowest Inflation

Europe's lowest inflation was in Norway, Denmark, Sweden and Switzerland, with price increases ranging between 60 and 60 per cent of pre-war. British prices were 82 per cent above pre-war.

Last year, wholesale prices dropped slightly in Hungary, Ireland and Switzerland. In Belgium, Czechoslovakia, Spain and Sweden prices rose five per cent. In Finland by six per cent, in Italy by seven per cent, and in Portugal by eight per cent.

The Economic Commission said the total industrial production in the United States last year was 35 per cent above that of all Europe, excluding Russia. In 1947 U.S. production exceeded Europe's by 51 per cent. In an average pre-war year, U.S. industries produced only three-fourths as much as Europe.

Ship building, agriculture, textiles and cement production were the only spheres where Europe exceeded the United States last year. The greatest European lead was in ship building. For every 100 vessels launched in Europe, six were launched in the United States.

On the other hand, the U.S. produced nearly twice as much steel as all Europe, outside Russia.—Associated Press.

SHIP MOVEMENTS

San Francisco, May 15.
Ship arrival: Yesterday, President Wilson from Shanghai. Departure: Friday, Fleetwood for Okinawa.
Seattle: Ship sailed yesterday: General H.H. Freeman for Yokohama.—Associated Press.

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As compared with HK\$0.10 on Saturday.

TT climbed from HK\$0.10 to \$0.40.

Sterling and Australian pounds remained steady at HK\$1.65 and HK\$1.50 respectively.

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Economic Stability In Red China

San Francisco, May 16.

War news took second place in Chinese Communist broadcasts on Sunday to stories of economic stability and improvement in Red controlled areas.

The Peiping radio talked of such diverse things as falling prices in Nanjing, Manchurian development programmes, improvement of the port of Tientsin, and various agricultural projects.

In the first month of Communist occupation of Nanjing, the broadcast said, prices had steadily declined and tending to fall. It said rice had dropped from \$3,000 (People's currency) a 170-pound picul to \$3,400.

(It is difficult to estimate the value of the People's currency dollar. But the Communist government in Peiping recently authorised an exchange rate of 1000 for one U.S. dollar.)

The broadcast, heard in San Francisco, said the North East Bank has earmarked loans of \$1,500,000,000,000. People's currency for industrial and agricultural production in Manchuria and of this \$900,000,000,000 was said to have been set aside to restore Manchurian state owned mining industries.

A large sum was reported to have been allocated for rebuilding and improving the port of Tientsin.

The radio listed these agricultural developments:
Planting 2,400,000 trees along the Peiping-Hankow railway near Shijichuang to break and storms and permit reclaiming 110,000 acres of the West Hoped plain.

Digging over 22,000 wells in central Hoped to irrigate 40,000 acres of cotton land.

The broadcast said the People's Bank of China had opened a branch in Hangchow. Communist troops took Hangchow only two weeks ago.—Associated Press.

BUYING INTEREST FOR METAL

New York, May 16.

Buying interest increased in the metals market last week as copper and zinc prices dropped another half cent.

For the first time since early March, some custom smelters sold more than enough copper to cover their own daily purchases of ore and scrap. Wire mills were the chief buyers. Brass mills remained virtually out of the market. The latest copper price of 18 cents a pound marked a 5 1/2-cent drop since the end of March.

Large mine operators who refine their own ore still held to prices ranging from 18 1/2 to 23 1/2. The upturn in demand for refined copper was attributed chiefly to the need of fabricators to replenish working inventories.

Production cutbacks resulting from the decline of copper prices were spreading.

Zinc sales improved slightly after the price was slashed to 12 cents a pound—5 1/2 cents below the post-war peak.

Zinc and copper shipments both dropped sharply.

Lead held at 14 cents and buying increased. Lead is still in shorter supply than copper or zinc.

Russian shipments of manganese and chrome in March were valued at \$600,000 compared with \$1,300,000 in February. The U.S. obtained about one-third of its manganese last year from Russia.

Non-ferrous metals prices included:
Copper, foreign, 18 cents a pound, New York.

Lead, foreign, 14 cents, Gulf of Mexico.

Zinc, foreign, nominal, 12 cents, Gulf of Mexico.

Aluminum pig, 10 cents shipping points.

Antimony, 41.75 cents, cased New York.

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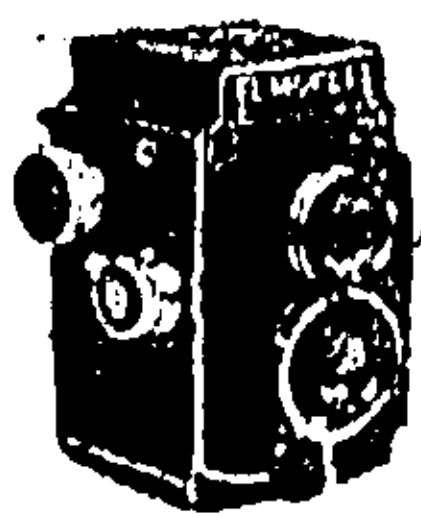
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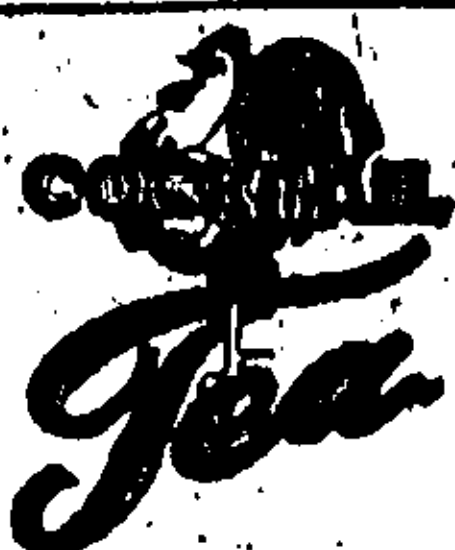
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Bobby Locke Wins Prize

New Rochelle, N.Y., May 15.
Taking cash vengeance for being snubbed by the Professional Golfers' Association, Bobby Locke of South Africa breezed off with the \$3,000 first prize in the Goodall Invitational golf tournament today when he pipped up a winning 66 points.

Herman Barron of White Plains, New York, was second with 34 points, exactly one point behind the winning Locke but still good for \$2,000.

Sam Sneed of White Sulphur Springs was third with 30 points, followed by Burke of Memphis with 27 points, on the basis of the final round for the competitive course record.

Locke, who has been denied an invitation to next week's PGA tournament, shot a final round of 34-32 (66), six under par, that put him 29 strokes under the substitution figures for 90 holes, following early rounds of 71, 67, 68, 68.

It boosted the earnings of the South African—who has accused the PGA of "lack of courtesy"—to \$8,000 for the month of May.—United Press.

France, Italy, Sweden Into Third Round

London, May 15.
France, Italy and Sweden today went through to the third round of the European Zone of the Davis Cup tournament.

Italy, who started the day with a 2-1 lead against South Africa, won both the singles from Eric Sturges and Eastace Funnin.

Sturges went down in four sets to Gianni Cuculli.

France lost a singles match today to Denmark, but won the other to survive the tie by four matches to one, while Sweden won both singles to gain a 5-0 victory over Norway.

The results were: At Milan: Italy beat South Africa 4-1; Canepelo (Italy) beat Fannin 6-4, 7-5, 6-4; Cuculli (Italy) beat Sturges 6-1, 2-6, 6-0, 6-4.

At Paris: France beat Denmark 4-1; Nielsen (Denmark) beat Robert Abdesselem 6-4, 7-5, 6-4; Jacques Thomas (France) beat Eric Bjerre 3-6, 6-4, 6-0, 6-0.

At Stockholm: Sweden beat Norway 5-0; T. Johansson (Sweden) beat N. Hensen 6-1, 6-2, 6-3; Bergelin (Sweden) beat Staubu 6-1, 4-6, 6-4, 6-4.—Reuter.

Gibbs trounced APL with a runaway 26-4 victory to share the Inter-Hong League Championship with Stanvac. The decisive play-off has been tentatively fixed for Sunday when the presentation of the San Miguel Shield will take place.

APL started off with a sparkling first inning when they notched up four tallies on a brace of Gibb bingles and a pair of free tickets to first base handed out by hurler Gerry Roza-Pereira.

Gerry was yanked in that first stanza and regular slabster Alf Malig was called in to put out the fire. Gibb replied with four in the second frame, which added to their first inning two runs, gave them the lead from that point until the end of the game.

The strong wind was acting against the APL distance sluggers and they failed to score in the next six frames. Gibb were not taking any chances as they battered their way through the last two frames and yielded two hits which produced two runs.

Veteran Tommy Chan who guarded the key-stone for APL was called in to finish off the last two frames and yielded two hits which produced two runs.

Longest Blow
The longest blow of the fracas was poked out by Gerry Roza-Pereira with a place hit to right field which Gabby Remedios misjudged and was good for three bases. Gabby Remedios, however, redeemed himself with a sensational catch when he snared Rabbit Leung's towering fly to right.

APL first-sacker, Ernie Heurter stroked a liner to deep centre but could only carry his weight around to second base where he was left stranded as Bridge, Walton and Remedios failed to come through with a safety.

All Malig for Gibbs struck-out two and walked three, and Gerry Roza Pereira who started the game yielded two bases. Losing pitcher Eddie Carmo dished out seven Annie Outlets. Alf Malig pitched a four-hitter.

SCORE BY INNINGS:
Runs 2 4 7 2 1 1 = 26
Hits 0 2 4 0 1 1 = 9
APL 4 0 0 0 0 0 = 4
Hits 0 2 1 0 1 0 = 4

LEAGUE TABLE TO DATE

Team	Won	Lost	Points
Gibbs	4	1	300
Stanvac	4	1	300
Shall	3	2	250
Caltex	3	2	250
APL	1	3	250
Musicians	0	5	000

The only outstanding league fixture between APL and Caltex will be played during the week.

GOLF CLUB'S JUBILEE PARTY SUCCESSFUL

The Royal Hong Kong Golf Club's jubilee party at Deep Water Bay on Tuesday was a great success.

Approaching competitions were held from 5.30 p.m. till dark and attracted many entries.

A total of 584 attempts were made in the three different competitions. The band of HMS London was much appreciated, playing before and during supper.

Prizes for the Jubilee and other outstanding competitions were presented by Mrs. D.S. Robb.

Prize winners were: Mrs. Hilly, Winner; Mrs. Percy, Runner-Up; Mrs. P. Hilly, Winner; Mrs. P. Hilly, Runner-Up.

Jubilee Ladies Tombstone: Mrs. Markham. Jubilee Men's Bogey: D.S. Robb, Winner; W.O. Davies, Runner-Up.

Jubilee Men's Foursomes: D.A. O. Davies, C. S. Douglas, Winners; D.S. Robb & M.S. Crawford, Runners-Up.

Jubilee Mixed Foursomes: Mr. & Mrs. G. Strickland. G.M. Young Cup: Won by the APC.

Shanghai Visitors Cup: L. Gold-man. Best A.M. Round: D.S. Robb. Best P.M. Round: P. Morrison.

Mixed Foursomes Knock Out: Mr. & Mrs. N.A. Brown, Winners; Mr. & Mrs. R.R. Coombs, Runners-Up.

Men's Foursomes Knock Out: E. Bathurst & C.R. R. Barry, Winners; W.C. Hung & C.H. S. Suen, Runners-Up.

An excellent fireworks display added to the general gaiety. The evening wound up with a sing song at which Mr. S. Parsons provided the accompaniment to many old and new favorites.

Cables of congratulation were received from the Captain of the R. and A. Mr. C.H. Tolley and Mr. E.R. Halifax on the occasion of the Club's Jubilee.

DUTCHMAN WINS CYCLING RACE

Amsterdam, May 16.
A Dutchman, Gerrit Schulte, won the Tour of Holland cycling road race yesterday.

Schulte finished sixth in the last lap from Scheveningen to Amsterdam 11 minutes and eight seconds, behind Gerrit van Beek of the Netherlands, who covered the 144 kilometre distance in three hours 41 minutes and 48 seconds.

Belgium's Desire Keteleer, member of the Dutch B team, was second in the general individual classification. He was substituting for Louis Molke of the Netherlands.

Belgium's "A" team, with Norbert Calens, Lucien Acou, Sylvain Gaysoule, Marutis de Meersman, Florent Rondelez and Daniel Taillez, was first in the team classification.

Winner of the 10th lap was Gerrit van Beek of the Dutch "C" team, in three hours 48 minutes and 28 seconds. He arrived three minutes 20 seconds ahead of Bernard Franken of Holland.

Lucien Acou of Belgium at the Amsterdam Olympic stadium.—Associated Press.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

At the Hong Kong Chinese Football Association Committee Meeting yesterday the following suggestions regarding the amendments of the Association's regulations were proposed:

Representative players of the B division teams should be selected from among the B class players only.

Players are not allowed to transfer from one team to another during the period of one season.

COMMITTEE MEETING
A meeting of the League Management Committee of the Hong Kong Football Association will be held at the Association's office tomorrow at 5.15 p.m.

AGENDA.
To select teams for Navy Benefit Match.
Combined Chinese, Rep. of Colony.

Indians Licked By White Sox

New York, May 15.

The weather was warm enough in Chicago today for everybody except Cleveland Indians, who were shut out twice by the astonishing White Sox, 10-0 and 2-0. It was the second straight Sunday Indians had been subjected to a twin trimming, Washington's equally incredible Senators having turned the trick last week.

The pitchers who applied the whitewash were a couple of Yankee castoffs, Bill Wight and Al Gettel. Wight had little difficulty in the opener, giving up five hits and walking only one batter while his mates knocked out Boh Feller with four runs on two hits and two walks in two innings.

Rookies Zernial and Gordie Goldsberry got the lion's share of 13 hits. Zernial getting three singles and Goldsberry two. Gettel granted only four hits in winning his duel with Steve Gromek, walking two batters for his initial victory. Chicago White Sox got five hits.

Tigers and Browns traded slugging victories at St. Louis. Detroit won the opener, 9-3, for Hal Newhouser, who gained his fourth triumph, when it scored six runs in the seventh inning, four of them on Vic Wertz homer, St. Louis won the second game, 12-4, also putting on a six-run inning in which Sherman Lollar hit a two-run homer.

Braves made five victories in a row, three of them over Brooklyn Dodgers, when Vern Bickford pitched a four hit 4-0 masterpiece. It was his fourth victory and marked the fifth shutout this year for a Boston hurler. Jim Russell hit a homer and a double to drive in three.

St. Louis Cardinals scored twice with two out in the ninth on singles by Del Rice and Red Schoendienst and Chuck Diering's double to put over a 4-3 victory against Pirates at Pittsburgh.

Eddie Kask hit a homer for St. Louis.

Giants Win Again
The red hot New York Giants wounded up their first home stand against Western clubs with a record of 10 victories and just two defeats when they topped Philadelphia Phillies, 7-3. Whitely Lockman got three of New York's eight hits and rookie catcher Stan Lopata homered for Phillies.

Athletes conquered Yankees, twice winning 6-7 and 5-6 and coming from behind each time. San Francisco hit two homers and a double, and then smashed a long fly that brought in the winning run in the 11th inning of the first game.

Eddie Joost and Chapman hit homers in the ninth to tie the score for Athletics.

In second game, which was ordered to six innings because of the Pennsylvania curfew, Yankees blew a 6-0 lead when Philadelphia scored seven runs.

Allie Reynolds yielded the first three and then Bob Porterfield, the loser yesterday in relief, came in and was charged with defeat again when Chapman hit a two-run double and put the tying and winning runs on base, whereupon Elmer Vago got his second single of the inning to break up the game. It was Vago's fourth hit.

Boston Red Sox got a well-pitched game for a change, Joe Dobson blanking Senators with four hits to gain a 3-0 decision. Dom Dimaggio kept up his authoritative hitting for Boston, connecting for a double and two singles.

Johnny Wyrostek was the big showman for Cincinnati in first game of a double header in which he tied the count with a two-run ninth homer and then won it with Cubs with a single in the 10th that notched a 10-5 decision.

Calvin Coolidge McLish won his first start for Cubs in the nightcap, 8-5, although he needed late relief help. Grady Hatton and Jim Bloodworth hit homers and Hank Edwards got one for Chicago.

Today's scores were:

AMERICAN LEAGUE		
Boston Red Sox	3	0
Washington Senators	0	4
Red Sox: p. Dobson; c. Tebbots; Senators: p. Hudson; Walterorth; c. Evans.		
New York Yankees	7	12
Philadelphia Athletics	8	7
Yankees: p. Byrne; Shea, Page, Miller, Sanford; c. Berra.		
Athletics: p. Fowler; Schantz; Kellner; c. Guerra.		
New York Yankees	6	5
Philadelphia Athletics	7	11

Yankees: p. Reynolds, Porterfield, Sanford; c. Nixard.

Athletics: p. Cushman; c. Astorin, Guerra.

Detroit Tigers: 9 11 1

St. Louis Browns: 3 10 0

Tigers: p. Newhouser; c. Robinson.

Browns: p. Ambrose; c. Gotsdiner.

Red Sox: p. Newhouser; c. Robinson.

Detroit Tigers	4	11	1
St. Louis Browns	12	11	0
(nightcap)			
Tigers: p. Stuart; Grishold; Rogovin; Krelow; Overmier; c. Robinson; Riebs.			
Browns: p. Garver; c. Lollar.			
Cleveland Indians	0	5	1
Chicago White Sox	10	13	1
Indians: p. Feller; c. Hegann.			
White Sox: p. Wight; c. Wheeler.			
Cleveland Indians	0	4	0
(nightcap)			
Chicago White Sox	2	5	1
Indians: p. Gromek; Wynne; c. Tresh; Hegann.			
White Sox: p. Gettel; c. Wheeler.			

White Sox: p. Wight; c. Wheeler		
Cleveland Indians	0	4
(nightcap)		
Chicago White Sox	2	5
Indians: p. Gromek, Wynn;		
Tresh, Hegan.		
White Sox: p. Gettel; c. Wheeler		
NATIONAL LEAGUE		
Chicago Cubs	5	10
	0	14

Today's Standings
New York, May 15.
Today's Major League baseball standings (including today's games) were:

Chicago Cubs	8	9
(nightcap)		
Cincinnati Reds	5	11
Ang.		
St. Louis, Rush; c. Sch		
W. Wehmeier, Erautt, Gu		
ert, Petersen, Fanovich;		
Mueller.		
Brooklyn Dodgers	0	4
Boston Braves	4	6
Dodgers: p. Martin, Banc, Fal		
c. Edwards, Campana,		
p. Mulvey; c. Masl.		
Brooklyn Cardinals	4	9
Pittsburgh Pirates	3	6
Cardinals: p. Hearn, Staley, W		
c. Rice, Garagiola.		
Pirates: p. Werle; c. Fitzgeralde		
Philadelphia Phillies	7	8
New York Giants	7	8
St. Louis Cardinals	7	8
Trinkle; c. Lopata.		
Giants: n. Kennedy; c. Co		

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AMERICAN LEAGUE
New York 16 9 640
Detroit 14 11 580
Philadelphia 14 12 538
Washington 13 13 510
Cleveland 10 10 500
Boston 10 12 454
St. Louis 8 10 218

NATIONAL LEAGUE
New York 16 9 640
Boston 10 9 640
Cincinnati 13 12 520
Brooklyn 12 13 480
St. Louis 10 12 453
Philadelphia 11 15 423
Pittsburgh 10 14 417
Chicago 10 14 417

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Dutch Champion Arrives in N.Y.

New York, May 15.
Mrs. Fanny Blankers-Koen, Holland's Olympic champion, arrived at Idlewild airport today aboard a KLM Royal Dutch airliner from Amsterdam.

Accompanied by her husband and trainer, Mrs. Blankers was met by Dan Ferris, secretary-treasurer of the National A.A.U. Dr. W. Koopmans, Netherlands consul general in New York, and Catherine Meyer, chairman of the National A.A.U. Track and Field Committee for Women.

Mrs. Blankers-Koen will stay in New York overnight and be honored tomorrow at a reception giving by the Dutch Consulate. She plans to emplane by Tuesday for the West Coast, where she will run in the West Coast relay on May 20 and the relay carnival on May 21.—United Press.

RUMANIA BEAT POLAND

Bucharest, May 16.
Rumania beat Poland in basketball at Bucharest 66-52.

The halftime score was 24-20. Associated Press.

PORTUGAL BEAT WALES

Lisbon, May 15.
Portugal today beat Wales by three goals to two in a soccer international here after the Welshmen had won 2-1 at Cardiff on May 14.

Handicaps For Sixth Race Meeting

New York, May 15.

Handicaps for the Sixth Race Meeting, May 21, 1949—

1. Rocky Bay Stakes (From 2 M.P. Class 4 (1949 Poles)—Amusing (147), Atomic Power (147), Hitter Sweet (147), Big Tom (147), Harmon (147), Bone Kone Stakes (147), Jaamin (147), Jennifer (147), Madame Butterfly (147), Oldhouse (147), Penforce (147), Powerhouse (147), Silver Star (147), Spelling Book (147), Sportmaster (147) and The Stars (147).

2. Lantano Handicap (From 2 M.P. Class 4 (1949 Poles)—Barbarian (142), Haylight (142), Canadian Potato (142), Caspino (142), Empress Delight (142), First Alarm (142), Lucio (142), Maltory (142), Nervous (142), Ringer (142), Rowan (142), Shun Lee (142), Top Hat (142), United Victory (142) and World Peace (142).

3. Clear Water Bay Handicap (2nd Sec.). 11 Miles. Class 5 (Old Poles)—Amusing (147), Atomic Power (147), Hitter Sweet (147), Big Tom (147), Harmon (147), Bone Kone Stakes (147), Jaamin (147), Jennifer (147), Madame Butterfly (147), Oldhouse (147), Penforce (147), Powerhouse (147), Silver Star (147), Spelling Book (147), Sportmaster (147) and The Stars (147).

4. Clear Water Bay Handicap (2nd Sec.). 11 Miles. Class 5 (Old Poles)—Amusing (147), Atomic Power (147), Hitter Sweet (147), Big Tom (147), Harmon (147), Bone Kone Stakes (147), Jaamin (147), Jennifer (147), Madame Butterfly (147), Oldhouse (147), Penforce (147), Powerhouse (147), Silver Star (147), Spelling Book (147), Sportmaster (147) and The Stars (147).

5. Clear Water Bay Handicap (2nd Sec.). 11 Miles. Class 5 (Old Poles)—Amusing (147), Atomic Power (147), Hitter Sweet (147), Big Tom (147), Harmon (147), Bone Kone Stakes (147), Jaamin (147), Jennifer (147), Madame Butterfly (147), Oldhouse (147), Penforce (147), Powerhouse (147), Silver Star (147), Spelling Book (147), Sportmaster (147) and The Stars (147).

6. Clear Water Bay Handicap (2nd Sec.). 11 Miles. Class 5 (Old Poles)—Amusing (147), Atomic Power (147), Hitter Sweet (147), Big Tom (147), Harmon (147), Bone Kone Stakes (147), Jaamin (147), Jennifer (147), Madame Butterfly (147), Oldhouse (147), Penforce (147), Powerhouse (147), Silver Star (147), Spelling Book (147), Sportmaster (147) and The Stars (147).

7. Clear Water Bay Handicap (2nd Sec.). 11 Miles. Class 5 (Old Poles)—Amusing (147), Atomic Power (147), Hitter Sweet (147), Big Tom (147), Harmon (147), Bone Kone Stakes (147), Jaamin (147), Jennifer (147), Madame Butterfly (147), Oldhouse (147), Penforce (147), Powerhouse (147), Silver Star (147), Spelling Book (147), Sportmaster (147) and The Stars (147).

8. Clear Water Bay Handicap (2nd Sec.). 11 Miles. Class 5 (Old Poles)—Amusing (147), Atomic Power (147), Hitter Sweet (147), Big Tom (147), Harmon (147), Bone Kone Stakes (147), Jaamin (147), Jennifer (147), Madame Butterfly (147), Oldhouse (147), Penforce (147), Powerhouse (147), Silver Star (147), Spelling Book (147), Sportmaster (147) and The Stars (147).

9. Clear Water Bay Handicap (2nd Sec.). 11 Miles. Class 5 (Old Poles)—Amusing (147), Atomic Power (147), Hitter Sweet (147), Big Tom (147), Harmon (147), Bone Kone Stakes (147), Jaamin (147), Jennifer (147), Madame Butterfly (147), Oldhouse (147), Penforce (147), Powerhouse (147), Silver Star (147), Spelling Book (147), Sportmaster (147) and The Stars (147).

10. Clear Water Bay Handicap (2nd Sec.). 11 Miles. Class 5 (Old Poles)—Amusing (147), Atomic Power (147), Hitter Sweet (147), Big Tom (147), Harmon (147), Bone Kone Stakes (147), Jaamin (147), Jennifer (147), Madame Butterfly (147), Oldhouse (147), Penforce (147), Powerhouse (147), Silver Star (147), Spelling Book (147), Sportmaster (147) and The Stars (147).

11. Clear Water Bay Handicap (2nd Sec.). 11 Miles. Class 5 (Old Poles)—Amusing (147), Atomic Power (147), Hitter Sweet (147), Big Tom (147), Harmon (147), Bone Kone Stakes (147), Jaamin (147), Jennifer (147), Madame Butterfly (147), Oldhouse (147), Penforce (147), Powerhouse (147), Silver Star (147), Spelling Book (147), Sportmaster (147) and The Stars (147).

12. Clear Water Bay Handicap (2nd Sec.). 11 Miles. Class 5 (Old Poles)—Amusing (147), Atomic Power (147), Hitter Sweet (147), Big Tom (147), Harmon (147